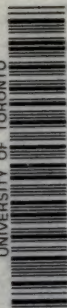


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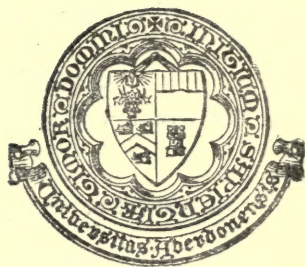






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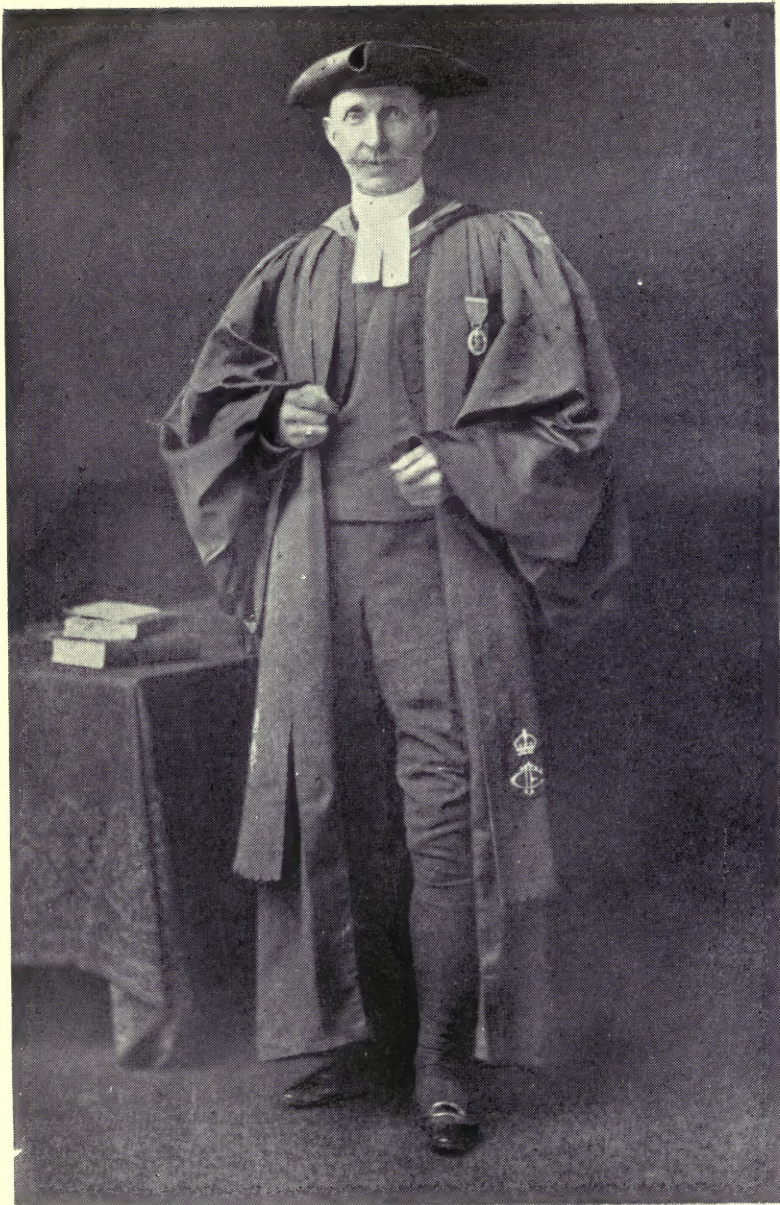
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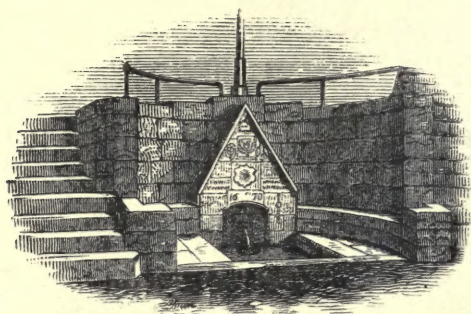
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## PREFACE

It has been a labour of love to prepare the following pages for publication. They by no means exhaust the subject to which they refer ; but they do bring to light some interesting particulars regarding the families whose genealogies are recorded. I offer them to my relatives and friends, with the hope that they will generously forgive any omissions or errors. I may say, that the Volume had its origin in an idea that occurred to me, while collecting and arranging the extensive and interesting Diaries and Correspondence of my mother's five brothers, mentioned at pages 12-14, and at page 125. Some Letters appended to the Genealogies will show what kind of additional material might have been included in this book.

Four names deserve mention for the ready help they have given, and for the kindly interest they have shown. My life-long friend, the Rev. Stephen Ree, B.D., Minister of Boharm, revised the proofs and compiled the Index ; P. J. Anderson, Esq., M.A., LL.B., Librarian of the University, whose friendship also I have enjoyed for nearly as many years as I have lived, greatly encouraged as well as advised me in the progress of the book ; and to John A. Henderson, Esq., Cults, and to the late A. M. Munro, Esq., City Chamberlain, whose early death so many lament, I am indebted for helpful aid in producing the work. The limitation of the issue to 200 copies will make the volume increasingly valuable.

JAMES SMITH.

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## ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS

James Cardno, Merchant, Fraserburgh, who married Elizabeth Chalmers (page 12), Maternal Aunt of Rev. James Smith, had numerous nephews and nieces, including the following :—

- I. Children of his brother, Alexander Cardno, Farmer, Fordafourie, Rathen.
  1. Mrs. Ann Smith Cardno or Pittendrigh, Newseat, Fraserburgh.
  2. Alexander Smith Cardno, M.B., Fordafourie, Fraserburgh.
  3. Robert Catto Cardno, Chemist, Woodside, Aberdeen.
  4. Mrs. Stella Dagmar Cardno or Morris, Dyce.
  5. Shewan John Cardno, and 6. Thomas Cardno, Fordafourie.
  7. Mrs. Melita Victoria Cardno or Whyte, Camperdown, Natal.
  8. Mrs. Ethel Gertrude Cardno or Lee, Whitestripe, Strichen.
- II. Children of his sister, Mrs. Ann Cardno or Reid, New York :—
  1. William. 2. Ann. 3. John.
- III. Children of his sister, Mrs. Elspet Cardno or Ragg. She married Francis Ragg, Merchant, Canada, Uncle of John Lyall Grant, Tea Merchant, Aberdeen.
- IV. Children of his sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Cardno or Smith, wife of the Rev. Farquhar Smith, Rector of Arpafeelie, Inverness, and Hon. Canon of Inverness Cathedral :—
  1. William Alexander Smith, Insurance Agent, New South Wales.
  2. Mrs. Elizabeth Chalmers Cardno Smith or Blackhall, Union Bank House, Fraserburgh.
  3. Mrs. Elspet Marjory Smith or Macbean, Ardross Terrace, Inverness.
  4. The Very Rev. Charles Pressley Smith, M.A., Dean of Argyll and the Isles, Oban.
  5. Mrs. Jemima Cardno Smith or Temperley, Ardross Terrace, Inverness.
- V. Children of his sister, Mrs. Isabella Cardno or Massie, Fraserburgh.

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His son, James Farquhar Cardno, had a son, James Farquhar Cardno, *b.* 25th May, 1912.

Other relations of James Cardno are Miss Elsie Forrest, Ludquharn, Longside, now the wife of the Right Hon. Thomas Shaw, Baron Shaw of Dunfermline, and of Craigmyle, near Aberdeen, P.C., K.C., LL.B., D.L., one of the Lords of Appeal; and the following members of a New Deer family, viz., Professor A. F. Murison, LL.D., Professor of Jurisprudence and Roman Law, University College, London—Rev. G. R. Murison, M.A., Minister of Stenness, Orkney, and Clerk of the Synod of Orkney and of the Presbytery of Cairston—and J. F. Murison, M.D., Glasgow.

Page 4, read 20th for 4th May as date of Marriage of Beatrice Donaldson.

„ 7, under II. John Chalmers, line 2, for “only” read “elder.”

„ 10, under (1) William Leslie, read that his marriage took place at Melbourne, 2nd May, 1856, to Mary Amelia, daughter of William Best, Surgeon, Wednesbury, Staffordshire.

„ 11, under (6) John Sheed, read that his daughter Marjorie Amey married 1st June, 1912, James Gray Kyd, Actuary, Dublin, son of the late Thomas Kyd, Manager, Northern Assurance Co., Aberdeen, of which her grandfather, William Chalmers, was the first Manager. They had a daughter born 25th March, 1913, and named Patricia Mary Kyd.

„ 12, under V., add “Alexander Wallace Chalmers was the author of the article ‘Bridewell,’ in the account of ‘Aberdeen’ in the *New Statistical Account of Aberdeenshire*. During his Governorship of Bridewell, the following culprits were hanged:—

16th Nov., 1827—Malcolm Gillespie, for forgery.

8th Oct., 1830—Mrs. Humphrey, for the murder of her husband.

22nd May, 1848—James Burnett, for the murder of his wife.

16th Oct., 1849—James Robb, for murder and rape.

13th Jan., 1852—George Christie, for the murder of a woman and her grandchild, at Kittybrewster.

21st Oct., 1857—John Booth, for the murder of a woman.”

Since the last date, nobody has been hanged at Aberdeen.

„ 35, another daughter of Captain William Macgregor is Christian Macgregor, *b.* 5th Nov., 1819, who resides with her niece, Mrs. Walker, at 25 Marischal Street, Aberdeen, and is now in her 94th year, hale and strong.

„ 36, under (4) delete the last sentence.

„ 39, next last line, Georgina (which should read Mary Georgina) Gordon,



## ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS

died at Boulogne, 24th Nov., 1912. The *Aberdeen Free Press*, of 4th Dec., 1912, has an important article on the family by J. M. Bulloch, Editor of *The Graphic*.

- Page 46, under IV. 1. add "Farmer in Drumhead; *d.* after 1750."  
 „ 55, under (1) Lewis. *b.* "4th Nov." read "4th April."  
 „ 55, under (2) read Margaret Heddell Greig.  
 „ 59, Rev. William Metcalfe married Alice Mary Mann, Broughty-Ferry, on 25th June, 1913.  
 „ 59, Rev. Alexander Boyd married Effie Hamilton Shaw, Glasgow, on 4th June, 1913.  
 „ 59, Rev. Francis Cantlie Donald is now Minister of Lumphanan.  
 „ 59, Rev. W. D. Frater died 10th May, 1913.  
 „ 59, Rev. A. B. Harper is now Assistant, St. Mary's, Dumfries.  
 „ 59, Rev. Henry Coulter is now Minister of Newport, Fife.  
 „ 65, on plate opposite, read "16th Regiment" for "16th Lancers."  
 „ 69, under V. read that Colonel George Thomson, C.B., of Fairley, was made an Honorary Burgess of Aberdeen, 17th Dec., 1841, "In testimony of the sense entertained by the Magistrates and Council of his gallant services."  
 „ 70, under viii. read "His only son is Colonel Charles Thomson, late 7th Hussars."  
 „ 79, under IV., read "George Milne" for "George Ross."  
 „ 88, under (4) read that the Rev. G. J. Chree was on 15th April, 1913, elected Minister of Kirriemuir.  
 „ 98, under 3, read that Mrs. Margaret Forsyth died 28th May, 1880.  
 „ 111, read that Alexander Edmond died 17th March, 1913.  
 „ 112, under 3, read "3rd April" for "3rd March."  
 „ 115, under 12, read that Mrs. George Walker died 13th May, 1913.

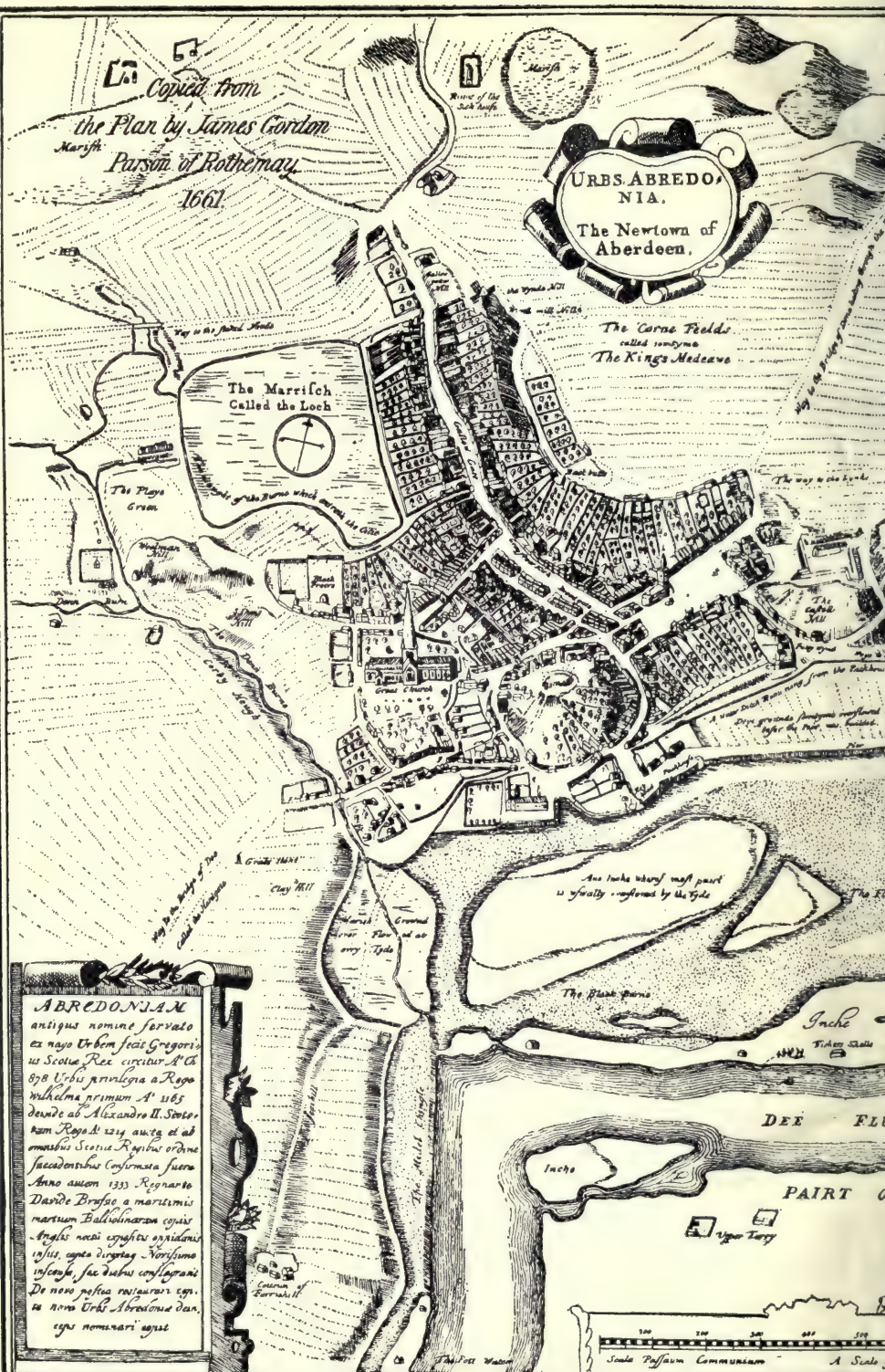
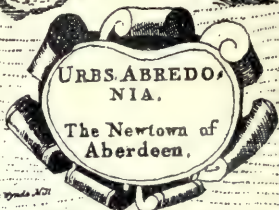
Translation of the Latin Epitaph on Mural Monument to Professor William Chalmers, M.D., on the south wall of St. Machar Churchyard (page 79):—  
 "Sacred to the memory of William Chalmers, M.D., Professor of Medicine in King's College, Aberdeen, sharer of the tomb of the daughters of John Innes of Tillyfour, who died 14th December, 1792, aged 45 years. Also his eldest daughter Mary who, being attacked by a painful disease, died deeply lamented on 6th January, 1812, aged 24. A sorrowing widow and mother erected this monument."

## ABBREVIATIONS

*b.* born. *m.* married. *d.* died. *c.* or *circa*, about. (A.R.), Aberdeen Registers. (O.R.), Oldmachar Registers.



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the Plan by James Gordon  
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1661*



**ABREDONIAM**  
antiquus nomine servato  
ex nayo Urhem scilicet Gregorio  
in Scotia Rex circa A. 878  
878 Urbis privilegia a Rege  
Wilhelmo primo A. 1165  
donavit ab Alexandro II. Scotie  
Rex Regi A. 1219 auct. et ab  
omnibus Scotia Regibus ordine  
successionibus confirmata fuerit  
Anno autem 1335 Regnante  
Davide Brofao a maritimo  
maritum Balliolinarum copias  
Anglis necesse expulsi omnino  
1347, capta duxit. Novissima  
infectio, seu datus conflagrans  
De novo passus restaurari regi.  
se novo Urbs Abredoniae dan.  
regis nominari cepit







# THE GENEALOGIES



*"The proper study of mankind is Man."*

—POPE.





MARIA LYON ROSS  
(1771-1855)  
Mrs. James Spalding



ELSPET WALLACE  
(1777-1853)  
Mrs. Samuel Chalmers



JANET GRANT  
(1769-1854)  
Mrs. James Smith

### THREE GREAT-GRANDMOTHERS OF THE REV. JAMES SMITH

*(The fourth was Elizabeth Hopper—Mrs. Richard Jamson, born at Tynemouth, 8th April, 1770, and died at Aberdeen, 28th April, 1830)*



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## THE FAMILY OF CASSIE

(ABERDEEN, c. 1550- ).

"The XXV. day of October the yeir of God 1576 yeirs the said day Alexander Casse and Margratt Traill had ane sone baptist in Aberdeen be Mr Walter Cullen reader gotten in marriage callit Johne. Andro Garioche, Alex Edward, Gelis Traill, witnesses to the same."

Mr. David Anderson, Session Clerk, thus records the earliest entry in the Baptismal Register of Aberdeen about the Aberdeen Family whose Chronicles this volume contains. John seems to have been an only child, whose parents may be supposed to have been born about A.D. 1550. The first entry in the oldest Register of Indentures of Apprentices in the Burgh of Aberdeen supplies the only other reference found concerning John Casse. It is as follows:—

"1622 Feby 9 Richard Cassie son to umqll John Cassie in Hazelheid prenticed to John Paterson wobster for 8 years as prentice and 2 years for meet and fee."

This shows that prior to 1622 JOHN CASSIE had died, leaving behind him a fatherless boy RICHARD, of whose career more can be gathered than of his father's, and who seems also to have been an only child. The Cassie Family thus so far as known consisted of:—

- I. ALEXANDER CASSIE (1550—after 1576).
- II. JOHN CASSIE (1576—before 1622).
- III. RICHARD CASSIE (1610-1670).

It is probable that Richard Cassie was born about 1610, thus allowing him to be 12 years of age when apprenticed. On reaching manhood he married twice—1st, Isobele Dick, who on 29th May, 1650, was interred in Oldmachar Burial Ground, leaving no family; and 2nd Janet Cruickshank. Of the latter, Oldmachar Marriage Register says:—

"23rd December, 1650. Richard Cassie in Gilcomston and Janet Cruickshank there gave up their banns of marriage. Andro Cuper at

## THE GENEALOGIES

the Barkmilne cautioner for the man, Wm Stevine elder in Kingswalls cautioner for the woman and were married the       day of       1651."

Their family consisted of:—

1. ALEXANDER, *b.* 28th Dec., 1651; *m.* 20th May, 1675, Beatrix Donaldson, daughter of William Donaldson, Farmer in Barkmiln, Aberdeen, of whom hereafter.
2. John, *b.* 9th June, 1656, and buried 23rd March, 1657.
3. A child buried 2nd April, 1657, born evidently after John.
4. William, *b.* 27th Jan., 1658; *m.* 5th Sept., 1698, Elspet Anderson. He was a Horse-hirer.
5. Margaret, *b.* 6th Oct., 1661; *m.* 22nd Sept., 1705, William Touch
6. Isobell, *b.* 15th May, 1666, and buried 10th Nov., 1666.

Finally, on 2nd May, 1670, RICHARD CASSIE, then at Well of Spaw, was interred in Oldmachar Churchyard, but nothing further is known as to his second spouse, Janet Cruickshank.

### IV. ALEXANDER CASSIE (1651-1696).

Alexander Cassie, *b.* 28th Dec., 1651; *m.* 4th May, 1675, Beatrice Donaldson, of whom hereafter; *d.* 9th Jan., 1696.

"28th December 1651. The said day Ritchard Cassie in Gilcomstone ane sone called Alexr. Alexr Howiesone, Mr Alexr Burnet, Andro Burnet, Patrick Watsone, witness." (*Oldmachar Baptismal Register*).

"3 Apryll 1675. Compeared Alexander Cassie and Beatrix Donaldson both in this Congregation and contracted marriage according to order, Adam Smart in Gilcomstone ca[utione]r for the man and William Donaldson yr cationer for the woman, proclaimed the 4 April, married the 20 May."

The above entry appears in the Marriage Register of Oldmachar, while the St. Nicholas Register reads—

"Alexr Cassie and Beatrix Donaldson was mareit in the old town the 20th May, 1675."

No family was born to them till 1682, when the Oldmachar Baptismal Register says:—

1. "3rd Jany 1682. Alexander Cassie at the Casiend a son call[ed] Alexander. Alexr Leith, Alexr Huttone, witnesses."

## CASSIE

This son was buried in the family burial-place at Oldmachar, 10th Sept., 1696. The other children were—

2. Robert, *b.* 17th Aug., 1684 ; *m.* 27th Jan., 1722, Jean, daughter of John Murray, Weaver. He was a Farmer and Post.
3. Marjorie, *b.* 1st May, 1687 ; *m.* 11th Feb., 1714, Robert Murray, Farmer, Cassiend (who was buried at Oldmachar, 6th July, 1749), and was herself buried there 6th Jan., 1763.
4. ELSPET, *b.* 15th March, 1691, of whom hereafter.

“15 March 1691. Alexr Cassie at Cassiend a daughter call[ed] Elspet. William Donaldson, William Duncan, Alexr Leith, elder and younger, witts.” (*O.R.*)

The Cassie family were members of St. Machar Cathedral, Old Aberdeen, but the Thomsons, with whom they intermarried, were members of St. Nicholas, Aberdeen.

### V. ELSPET CASSIE OR THOMSON (1691-1749).

Elspet Cassie, *b.* 15th March, 1691 ; *m.* 24th Jan., 1717, Alexander Thomson, Farmer, Monthillie, Aberdeen, of whom hereafter ; *d.* 21st Oct., 1749, and was buried in St. Peter's Cemetery, Aberdeen, in Lair <sup>39</sup><sub>1</sub>.

“Anno 1717, January ffyfth. Compeared Alexr Thomson in Aberdeen and Elspet Cassie in this Parish and contracted marriage according to order. They consigned pledges ffor yr civil behaviour, John Seatoun ffarmer in Spittel caunr ffor the man Robert Cassie Post in Aberdeen ffor the woman. They were orderly proclaimed and married January twenty ffourth Seventeen Hundred and Seventeen years by Alexr Mitchell Minr.” (*O.R.*)

Their family consisted of:—

1. Janet, *b.* 24th Nov., 1717.
2. Margaret, *b.* 30th Dec., 1718 ; *d.* 29th Oct., 1748.
3. Alexander, *b.* 22nd Jan., 1721 ; *d.* an infant.
4. JAMES, *b.* 24th March, 1723, of whom hereafter.
5. Alexander, *b.* 5th Dec., 1725, of whom hereafter.
6. Elspet, *b.* 11th July, 1728 ; *m.* 8th Oct., 1750, James Christie (*b.* 12th June, 1715 ; *d.* 27th July, 1808), Farmer and Horsehirer, Aberdeen ; *d.* 20th May, 1793. Their family consisted of:—  
(1) Elizabeth, *b.* 21st Aug., 1751.

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- (2) Alexander, *b.* 17th Dec., 1753.
- (3) James, *b.* 6th Dec., 1755; *m.* Isobel Black; *d.* 20th Oct., 1832. He was a Farmer.
- (4) William, *b.* 5th Feb., 1759.
- (5) Robert, *b.* 4th Sept., 1761.
- (6) John, *b.* 4th Sept., 1761, twin.
- (7) Elspeth, *b.* 6th Sept., 1764.
- (8) Janet, *b.* 5th June, 1767.

Mr. James Christie, who died at the ripe age of 93, and was interred on 30th July, 1808, in St. Peter's Cemetery, Aberdeen, farmed on the land of Mr. George Moir, of Scotstown, for 50 years. He had three successive leases, and just survived the expiry of his third lease.

7. Robert, *b.* 27th April, 1731; *m.* 21st Jan., 1751, Jane Christie; *d.* about 1782. He was a Farmer at Gallowgatehead, Aberdeen. Their family consisted of:—

- (1) James, *b.* 29th Feb. 1752.
- (2) Alexander, *b.* 21st Nov., 1753; *m.* 23rd Oct., 1779, Jean Gill (*d.* 7th June, 1793); *d.* 16th Dec., 1802. He was a Farmer.
- (3) Robert, *b.* 29th April, 1756.
- (4) James, *b.* 5th Feb., 1758.
- (5) John, *b.* 7th March, 1760.
- (6) George, *b.* 8th April, 1763. He was a Cartwright.
- (7) Andrew, *b.* 15th Oct., 1765. He was a Hairdresser.

VI. JAMES THOMSON (1723-1779).

VII. ELSPET THOMSON OR WALLACE (1750-1784).

VIII. ELSPET WALLACE OR CHALMERS (1777-1853).

IX. ALEXANDER WALLACE CHALMERS (1801-1862).

X. CHRISTIAN CHALMERS OR SMITH (1826-1876).

XI. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH (the surviving members of this generation).



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WILLIAM CHALMERS, M.D.

Professor of Medicine, King's College, Aberdeen

1782-1792

*(Caricature from Kay's Portraits)*

## CHALMERS

### THE FAMILY OF CHALMERS

(ABERDEEN, *c.* 1680— ).

#### I. GEORGE CHALMERS (*c.* 1680—after 1714).

George Chalmers, *b.* about 1680 ; *m.* 22nd Sept., 1707, Jean Gellan (*b.* 12th Aug., 1672), daughter of John Gellan, Flesher, Burgess of Guild, 12th Aug., 1663, and grand-daughter of Robert Gellan, Flesher, and Burgess of Guild, 23rd Feb., 1648, for his services during the Plague of 1647 ; *d.* after 1714. He was a Burgess, Flesher, and Tradesman, Aberdeen. Their family consisted of:—

1. JOHN, *b.* 7th Nov., 1708, of whom hereafter.
2. Jean, *b.* 14th Jan., 1711.
3. William, *b.* 15th June, 1714.

#### II. JOHN CHALMERS (1708–1748).

John Chalmers, *b.* 7th Nov., 1708 ; *m.*, in 1741, Jean Kerr (*b.* 8th Jan., 1710 ; *d.* 23rd Aug., 1776), only daughter of George Kerr, Farmer, Drumnahive, Kildrummy, of whom hereafter ; *d.* 28th Feb., 1748. He was a Wright in Aberdeen. He became a Freeman of the Trades, 20th April, 1739, and was admitted a Burgess of Guild, 26th Aug., 1740, William Chalmers, Merchant, being his cautioner. Their family consisted of:—

1. John, *b.* 28th Feb., 1742 ; *d.* 27th May, 1746.
2. Robert, *b.* 5th May, 1743 ; *d.* 13th Feb., 1770. He was a Wright in Aberdeen. Burgess of Guild, 19th Aug., 1769.
3. Alexander, *b.* 31st Dec., 1744 ; *d.* 6th March, 1746.
4. WILLIAM, *b.* 2nd Oct., 1746, of whom hereafter.

#### III. WILLIAM CHALMERS (1746–1792).

William Chalmers, *b.* 2nd Oct., 1746 ; *d.* 14th Dec., 1792. By Christian Hill, elder daughter of Hercules Hill, Aberdeen, he had a son SAMUEL, *b.* 1770, of whom hereafter. He was an M.D. of Paris and Aberdeen, and was educated there and at Edinburgh. Honorary Burgess of Guild, 25th July, 1771. In 1782 he was appointed Professor of Medicine, King's College, Aberdeen, which office he held till his death. He married on 8th Aug., 1785, Jean Shewan, of Monymusk (*b.* 1768 ; *d.* 25th Jan., 1854). [On 21st Nov., 1806, Mrs. Chalmers became the third wife of the Rev. William McKenzie, M.A. (*b.* 1737 ; *d.* 31st

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Aug., 1812), retired First Chaplain of the 78th Regiment (Seaforths)—later the 72nd Regiment of Foot. He was commissioned 14th Sept., 1778, and went to India with the Regiment, after its remarkable mutiny at Edinburgh. By his wife he had, in his 71st year (1) a daughter, Sophia Jane (*b.* 4th April, 1808; *d.* 15th March, 1842)—who married (1st) on 17th Oct., 1826, the Rev. Hugh McKenzie, M.A., M.D., Minister of Killin, Perthshire, by whom she had a son and a daughter; and (2nd) on 8th Aug., 1837, the Rev. William Campbell, M.A., Minister of Coull, Aberdeenshire, by whom she had two daughters--and (2) Alexander Francis (*b.* 26th June, 1811; *d.* 16th Sept., 1813). Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie and their infant son are buried in Oldmachar Churchyard, Lair G, 234.] Their family consisted of:—

1. Mary, *b.* 24th Aug., 1787; *d.* 6th Jan., 1812.
2. Wilhelmina, *b.* 16th April, 1793; *m.* 4th June, 1815, Henry Walker of Castle Stuart, Inverness, Captain and Adjutant, 10th British Militia (*b.* 24th May, 1784; *d.* 2nd Jan., 1845); *d.* 20th Jan., 1849. Their family consisted of:—
  - (1) William, *b.* 8th Nov., 1817; *d.* 4th Oct., 1876.
  - (2) Henry, *b.* 24th May, 1819; *d.* 5th March, 1884.
  - (3) Jane, *b.* 31st Jan., 1821; *m.* 9th Oct., 1850, William Ray (*b.* 19th Nov., 1822; *d.* 12th Dec., 1882), Farmer, Sunbank, Elgin; *d.* 31st Dec., 1894. Their family consisted of:—
    - i. Wilhelmina Chalmers, *b.* 26th Sept., 1854; *d.* 20th Aug., 1879.
    - ii. Margaret Donaldson, Matron, Surrey County Asylum.
    - iii. Robert, now in Jersey.
    - iv. Sarah Jane, now at Pedmore.
    - v. Mary Elizabeth Ann, Matron, King's College Hospital, London.
  - (4) Alexander, *b.* 20th Aug., 1823. He is dead.
  - (5) John, *b.* 22nd April, 1825; *d.* 13th July, 1865.
  - (6) Mary Elspet, *m.* 9th Sept., 1862, Charles McGregor.
  - (7) Elizabeth Sophia, *b.* 26th May, 1829; *m.* 11th Dec., 1850, Colin McKenzie, M.A., Minister of Petty (1843-1852), and afterwards of Contin (*b.* 1816; *d.* 12th Nov., 1862); *d.* 13th July, 1893. Their family consisted of:—



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- i. Elizabeth Fairbairn, *b.* 9th June, 1853; *d.* 16th Sept., 1872.
- ii. Wilhelmina Chalmers, who lives at Lossiemouth.
- iii. Henrietta Walker, *b.* 4th March, 1858; *d.* 25th June, 1876.

Rev. Colin McKenzie was a son of Rev. John McKenzie, Minister of Lochcarron, and his brothers were the Very Rev. Dr. Peter McKenzie, Minister of Urquhart and Logie-Wester, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, 1884, and Rev. Kenneth Alexander McKenzie, LL.D., Minister of Kingussie and Inch. Of his four sisters, Eliza married Rev. Colin Mackenzie, M.A., Minister of Ardclach (1850-1882).

- (8) George, *b.* 1832.
- (9) Ann, *m.* 4th Aug., 1858, William Stephen, Farmer, Inchbroom, Elgin (*d.* 7th April, 1867). They had two sons who were Doctors of Medicine, and died young:—
  - i. John Stephen, *b.* 23rd April, 1860; *m.* 26th March, 1896, Emmie Campbell Hett; *d.* 6th Aug. 1897, at Reigate, leaving a son, John.
  - ii. William Henry George, *b.* 4th Jan., 1862; *d.* 11th Sept., 1886, at Karlsbad, unmarried.
- (10) Hugh, *b.* 11th Nov., 1836, and now in Australia.
- (11) Helen Wilhelmina, *b.* 5th Nov., 1838; *d.* 4th Oct., 1886.

### IV. SAMUEL CHALMERS (1770-1819).

Samuel Chalmers, *b.* 1770; *m.* 1st July, 1798, Elspet Wallace (*b.* 31st Oct., 1777; *d.* 21st Dec., 1853), elder daughter of Convener John Wallace, Baker, Aberdeen; *d.* 29th Dec., 1819. He was a Clothier, and Clerk and Treasurer of Aberdeen Police Commissioners from 7th Jan., 1809, to 29th Dec., 1819, and was a member of Greyfriars Parish Church. Burgess of Guild, 11th Sept., 1792. He was President of the St. Andrew's Society, Aberdeen, in 1800. Their family consisted of:—

- i. John, *b.* 30th Aug., 1799; *d.* 11th March, 1823. He was a Clothier along with his father in Broad Street, and was elected Clerk and Treasurer of Police, 3rd Jan., 1820, which he continued to be till his death. Burgess of Guild, 31st Jan., 1821.

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2. ALEXANDER WALLACE, *b.* 10th Jan., 1801, of whom hereafter.
3. William, *b.* 1st July, 1802; *m.* 25th Oct., 1826, Jane Cruickshank (*b.* 22nd April, 1805; *d.* 4th Aug., 1879), eldest daughter of Leslie Cruickshank, of Deemount, Merchant, Aberdeen; *d.* 27th Oct., 1872. He was Clerk and Treasurer of Police, Aberdeen, in succession to his father and eldest brother from 1822 to 1836, when he was appointed Manager of the North of Scotland Fire and Life Assurance Company, now the Northern Assurance Company. Burgess of Guild, 16th Feb., 1828. In 1828 he was ordained an Elder in Greyfriars Parish Church by the Rev. Abercromby Lockhart Gordon, M.A., with whom he joined the Free Church in 1843. He was President of the St. Andrew's Society, Aberdeen, in 1840. Their family consisted of:—
  - (1) William Leslie, *b.* 23rd July, 1828; *m.* Mary Amelia Best; *d.* 20th December, 1905. He was an Insurance Agent in Portland, Oregon, U.S.A. Their family consisted of:—
    - i. Emily; ii. William Leslie; iii. James Cruickshank; iv. Alec; v. Jeannie.
  - (2) Christian Elspet, *b.* 19th July, 1830; *m.* 15th Nov., 1854. Norris William Best, M.D., Wednesbury, Staffordshire (*b.* 19th Oct., 1819; *d.* 12th March, 1873); *d.* 11th July, 1870. Their family consisted of:—
    - i. William Chalmers, *b.* 14th Dec., 1855; *d.* 22nd Aug., 1879. He was in the Firm of Messrs. Grindley & Co., Commission Agents, Calcutta.
    - ii. Jane Amelia Best, *m.* 30th June, 1881, Mitchell Leslie Stoddart McLaren, of Fernielee, Murtle, Commission Merchant, Aberdeen (*b.* 16th Feb., 1843; *d.* 7th June, 1904). Their family consisted of:—
      - (i.) Ian Malcolm, *b.* 10th Jan., 1883.
      - (ii.) Marion Leslie. (iii.) Dorothy Isobel.
      - (iv.) Colin Arthur, *b.* 16th Aug., 1893.
    - iii. Arthur Alexander, *b.* 1st March, 1862; *m.* 20th Sept., 1892, Christian Catto (*d.* 24th Feb., 1894), eldest

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daughter of Robert Catto, Merchant and Shipowner, Aberdeen; *d.* 9th April, 1894. He was a Fruit Rancher in Ontario, California. Their family consisted of:—

(i) Dorothy Jean.

- (3) Alexander Samuel, *b.* 16th Sept., 1831; *d.* in June, 1855. He was killed at sea by falling from aloft the ship "Archibald Gracie" on the passage from Sydney to San Francisco.
- (4) Mitchell, *b.* 26th Dec., 1832; *d.* in Melbourne. He was married, but had no family.
- (5) James Cruickshank, *b.* 22nd April, 1834. He was married, and had a family, of which a daughter was born at Orrong Road, Melbourne, Australia, 16th July, 1867. He is dead.
- (6) John Sheed, *b.* 5th Sept., 1837; *m.* 22nd Sept., 1881, Mary Elizabeth, daughter of James Catto, Shipowner, Liverpool; *d.* 26th Sept., 1901. He was a Shipping Agent at Aberdeen. Their family consisted of:—
  - i. Marjorie Amey.
  - ii. William Hamish, *b.* 10th Sept., 1889.
  - iii. John Leslie, *b.* 28th Dec., 1891.
- (7) Leslie Cruickshank, *b.* 16th April, 1839; *d.* 6th July, 1870. He was in the Pacific Steam Navigation Company's service on the West Coast of South America.
- (8) Jane Elizabeth, *m.* 9th Sept., 1873, John Charles Hirschfield, M.D., Banff, who died 31st Aug., 1880, aged 33 years. Their family consisted of:—
  - i. Philip Charles, *b.* 12th Dec., 1876; *d.* 31st Aug., 1880. He and his father were drowned in Banff Bay by the capsizing of a boat in a sudden squall.
4. Christian, *b.* 19th Aug., 1804; *d.* 29th Nov., 1844. She was Matron of the Aberdeen Asylum for the Blind, from 10th May, 1843, to her death.
5. George, *b.* 25th Oct., 1806; *d.* 29th June, 1808.
6. Elspet, *b.* 20th April, 1810; *d.* 7th Nov., 1853. She was Matron of the East Prison, Aberdeen, from 1848 to her death.

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7. Margaret, *b.* 1st May, 1813; *d.* 13th July, 1895. She was Matron of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb from 8th June, 1858, to 1862; and after that was a lady companion.

### V. ALEXANDER WALLACE CHALMERS (1801-1862).

Alexander Wallace Chalmers, *b.* 10th Jan., 1801; *m.* 24th March, 1825, Mary Jamson (*b.* 21st Sept., 1795; *d.* 3rd Aug., 1878), eldest daughter of Richard Jamson, Shipmaster, Aberdeen; *d.* 20th June, 1862; He was Governor of the Aberdeen Prisons—Bridewell and the East Prison—from 27th Jan., 1825, to his death by drowning at Aberdeen Beach. Burgess of Guild, 5th Oct., 1829. On 10th Feb., 1833, he was ordained by the Rev. Robert Smith, D.D., of Oldmachar, in the Cathedral, to be an Elder in Gilcomston Church for the famous Rev. Professor Kidd, D.D., Minister (1801-34) and Professor of Oriental Languages in Marischal College, who baptised all his family except John, the youngest. He joined the Gilcomston Free Church after 1843, and was both Elder and Treasurer of it under Rev. Dr. James Bryce (1834-54) and Rev. Dr. Walter Macgilvray. Their family consisted of:—

1. CHRISTIAN, *b.* 7th Aug., 1826; *m.* 9th Aug., 1849, James Smith, Wholesale Bookseller and Stationer, Aberdeen (*b.* 15th Jan., 1826; *d.* 10th July, 1863); *d.* 20th May, 1876. Their family consisted of seven daughters and two sons, of whom hereafter.
2. Elizabeth, *b.* 19th April, 1828; *m.* 10th June, 1856, James Cardno, Merchant, Fraserburgh (*b.* 25th April, 1817; *d.* 20th May, 1895); *d.* 28th Jan., 1903. Their family consisted of:—

- (1) James Farquhar, *b.* 24th May, 1865; *m.* 16th Nov., 1901, Ethel Mary Skinner, second daughter of Alexander Skinner, Farmer and Fishcurer, Fraserburgh. He is a Commission Agent and Merchant in Fraserburgh. Their family consists of:—

(i) Mary Elizabeth.

- (2) Alexander Chalmers, *b.* 9th Dec., 1867; *d.* 27th Oct., 1882, at The College, Inverness, where he was being educated. He was a youth of much promise and amiability.
3. Richard, *b.* 7th July, 1829; *d.* 20th Dec., 1852. He was a Civil Engineer, and was engaged on the Survey of the Great

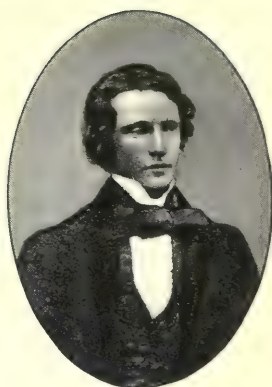




ALEX. WALLACE CHALMERS  
(1831-1868)  
Chief Engineer, Royal Navy



CHRISTIAN CHALMERS  
(1826-1876)  
(Mrs. James Smith)



SAMUEL CHALMERS  
(1833-1858)  
Telegraphist to General Nicholson



ALEX. WALLACE CHALMERS  
(1801-1862)



Mrs. MARY JAMSON or CHALMERS  
(1795-1878)



WILLIAM CHALMERS  
(1834-1863)  
Assistant Surgeon, 1st Royals



ELIZABETH CHALMERS  
(1828-1903)  
(Mrs. James Cardno)



JOHN CHALMERS, M.A.  
(1836-1861)  
Lieut., 39th Bengal Native Infantry

# THE FAMILY OF ALEXANDER WALLACE CHALMERS

Governor of Aberdeen Prisons, 1825-1862

(His eldest son, Richard Chalmers, 1829-1852, was a Civil Engineer)



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North of Scotland Railway, from Aberdeen to Huntly, in 1847. He also served the Glasgow and South Western Railway, at Kilmarnock, from 1850 to 1852. He died at Aberdeen of inflammation of the brain, and was interred in the family grave in St. Nicholas Churchyard, Lair D, 766.

4. Alexander Wallace, *b.* 9th April, 1831; *d.* 22nd Aug., 1868. He was a Chief Engineer, R.N., and obtained the Medal for the Crimean War, 1854-6 (Blockade of the Baltic, under Sir Charles Napier), and for the China War, 1857-8, with a clasp for the Capture of Canton. He was at that time Chief Engineer of H.M.G.B. "Drake." He was invalided from the Royal Navy on a pension in 1865, and died in Aberdeen of phthisis.
5. Samuel, *b.* 8th Feb., 1833; *d.* 14th Aug., 1858. He was a Druggist in Aberdeen, and later joined the Honble. East India Company's Army, from which he passed to the Indian Electric Telegraph Service. He was attached to the 52nd Regiment, and later accompanied, as Telegraphist, Sir John Nicholson's Relief Column, with which he entered Delhi, 14th Sept., 1857. He was awarded the India Mutiny Medal, with a clasp for Delhi. He died at Calcutta of fever, and was interred in Bhowanipore Military Cemetery.
6. William, *b.* 10th Nov., 1834; *d.* 20th Jan., 1863. He studied Medicine at Marischal College, Aberdeen. He was an L.R.C.S.E., and was Assistant Surgeon, first, in the 17th Regiment, 2nd Battalion; and second, in the 1st Royals, with whom he served in India. He was invalided home, in 1862, and died in Aberdeen of phthisis.
7. JOHN, *b.* 9th Oct., 1836; *d.* 10th Aug., 1861. He studied at Marischal College, Aberdeen, of which he became M.A., 1855, and Boxill Mathematical Scholar. In 1855 he gained a Cadetship in the H.E.I.C.S., gifted by Colonel Sykes, M.P. for Aberdeen, to the most distinguished student of the year, and was gazetted Ensign in the Company's Army. Thereafter he was posted to the 39th Bengal Native Infantry

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Regiment, and became Lieutenant. During his service, and while stationed at Dera Ismail Khan, the India Mutiny broke out, and he was severely wounded in the wrist and side in attempting to capture, with a small force, a body of furious mutineers, of the 9th Irregular Cavalry, near Jhung. He was thereafter transferred to the 17th Irregular Cavalry, his regiment having peaceably been disbanded, but his health was shattered. He visited Murree and Cashmere in hopes of recovery, but finding military service beyond his powers, Lord Canning, the Governor-General of India, created him an Assistant Commissioner for the Punjab. There he gave distinguished service, and was honoured by entertaining Lords Canning and Clyde at Attock in 1860. In Nov., 1860, he left India, and after a short attempt at convalescence at Torquay he returned to Aberdeen, where he died, aged 25, amidst universal regret, as a young officer of great promise and of most distinguished service. In appearance he was very handsome and distinguished-looking, and very tall. He was awarded the India Mutiny Medal and a special Wound Pension of £100 a year.

The five sons of Alexander Wallace Chalmers, his brother John, his brother William with his six sons, and his father Samuel were all educated at Aberdeen Grammar School. Lord Byron, who was also a Grammar School pupil from 1796-98, shared along with his mother, in St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Aberdeen, the pew occupied by Captain Richard Jamson, their grandfather.

VI. CHRISTIAN CHALMERS or SMITH (1826-1876).

VII. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH.







*James Keir*

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## DONALDSON

### THE FAMILY OF DONALDSON

(ABERDEEN, 1540- ).

#### I. DUNCAN DONALDSON (1540-1591).

Duncan Donaldson, *b.* about 1540; *m.* 24th Jan., 1575, Kathrin Artoure; *d.* 8th March, 1591.

“The banns of marriage betwixt Duncan Donaldsone and Kathrin Artoure was thrice lawfully proclaimed by me Walter Cullen, reader, and nae impediment shawing nor finding for the time the saides pairties marritt in Abd. be Maister John Craig, Minister, the xxiii. day of Januar, the yeir of God, 1575 yeirs.” (*A.R.*)

Duncan Donaldson was admitted a Burgess of Guild, 28th April, 1559. Their family consisted of:—

1. Thomas, *b.* 28th March, 1577.
2. Christian, *b.* 22nd May, 1578.
3. Isobell, *b.* 13th Aug., 1581.
4. Duncan, *b.* 26th Jan., 1583; admitted a Pupil Burgess of Guild, 23rd Feb., 1591; *d.* 12th June, 1602.
5. WILLIAM, *b.* 24th Sept., 1587, and baptised before witnesses Edward Donaldson, William Alshoner, Margaret Lyndsay.

The elder Duncan Donaldson, *d.* 8th March, 1591, was buried in St. Nicholas Churchyard, as was also his wife, Kathrin Arthour, 14th Feb., 1611. Of her nothing further is known.

#### II. WILLIAM DONALDSON (1587-1641).

William Donaldson, *b.* 24th Sept., 1587; *m.* about 1617, Marjory Carngill; *d.* 20th April, 1641. Their family consisted of:—

1. Elspet, *b.* 10th March, 1618.
2. Thomas, *b.* 4th May, 1620.
3. WILLIAM, *b.* 8th Aug., 1622; *m.* Margaret Mitchell, of whom nothing is known.
4. Janet, *b.* 19th Jan., 1624.

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### III. WILLIAM DONALDSON (1622—after 1695).

William Donaldson, *b.* 8th Aug., 1622; *m.* before 1651; *d.* after 1695. He resided in Barkmill, Aberdeen, and had by his wife, Margaret Mitchell (*b.* about 1622; *d.* 22nd May, 1695), one child—

1. BEATRIX, *b.* about 1651; *m.* 20th May, 1675, Alexander Cassie, Farmer, in Casiend, of whom before.

He was present at the baptism of Marjorie Cassie, 1st May, 1687, and of Elspet Cassie, 15th March, 1691, and survived his spouse Margaret Mitchell. Nothing further is known of either of them.

IV. BEATRIX DONALDSON or CASSIE (*c.* 1651—after 1691).

V. ELSPET CASSIE or THOMSON (1691-1749).

VI. JAMES THOMSON (1723-1779)

VII. ELSPET THOMSON or WALLACE (1750-1784).

VIII. ELSPET WALLACE or CHALMERS (1777-1853).

IX. ALEXANDER WALLACE CHALMERS (1801-1862).

X. CHRISTIAN CHALMERS or SMITH (1826-1876).

XI. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH.

## THE FAMILY OF ELMSLIE

(ABERDEEN, *c.* 1620- ).

### I. THOMAS ELMSLIE (*c.* 1620-1654).

Thomas Elmslie, *b.* about 1620; *m.* about 1644; *d.* 9th Jan., 1654.

The family of Thomas Elmslie, who resided in the Spital, Aberdeen, consisted of:—

1. Thomas, *b.* 20th March, 1645.
2. Marjory, *b.* 2nd Feb., 1651.
3. JOHN, *b.* 27th April, 1653; *m.* 17th July, 1674, Isobel Hill, daughter of James Hill, of whom hereafter.

### II. JOHN ELMSLIE (1653—after 1691).

John Elmslie, *b.* 27th April, 1653; *m.* 17th July, 1674, Isobel Hill; *d.* after 1691.

“5 June, 1674. Compeared John Elmslie and Isobel Hill, both in this Congregation and contracted marriage according to order. John Elmslie in Spittel, cautioner for the man, and James Hill for the woman. Proclaimed June 11th; married July 17th.” (*O.R.*).



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She was buried in Oldmachar Churchyard, 2nd Nov., 1691. Their family consisted of:—

1. Marjorie, *b.* 24th Jan., 1675.
2. Anna, *b.* 8th June, 1677.
3. Isobel, *b.* 13th Jan., 1678.
4. John, *b.* 29th Nov., 1679.
5. Margaret, *b.* 11th Oct., 1680.
6. John, *b.* 9th Sept., 1683.
7. ROBERT, *b.* 18th Nov., 1688, of whom hereafter.
8. Elspet, *b.* 11th Oct., 1691; *d.* 19th Nov., 1692, and was buried in Oldmachar Churchyard.

Two children of John Elmslie died 1st Dec., 1679; and 7th May, 1685.

### III. ROBERT ELMSLIE (1688-1764).

Robert Elmslie, *b.* 18th Nov., 1688; *m.* 25th May, 1714, Margaret Ross (*b.* 1st Aug., 1690; *d.* 21st Nov., 1718); *d.* 21st Jan., 1764, and was buried in St. Nicholas Churchyard. He was a Shoemaker in Aberdeen.

"1714, April 26. Robert Elmslie, lawful son of the deceased John Elmslie in Oldmachar, and Margaret Ross, lawful daughter to the deceased James Ross, Farmer, sometime in Aberdeen, were contracted [in marriage]. Cautioner for the man, Alexander Lyell, Shoemaker, and for the woman, James Still, Seaman." (*A.R.*)

"1714, May 25th. Robert Elmsly and Margaret Ross being married at twelve o'clock payed two lib. Scots." (*A.R.*)

Their family consisted of:—

1. Janet, *b.* 20th April, 1715; *d.* 23rd Jan., 1717.
2. ELIZABETH, *b.* 14th Jan., 1717; *m.* 7th Dec., 1747, James Thomson (*b.* 24th March, 1723; *d.* 17th April, 1779, of whom hereafter); *d.* 21st Jan. 1788.
3. Mary, *b.* 13th Nov., 1718; *d.* 5th April, 1724, and was buried in St. Nicholas Churchyard.

### IV. ELIZABETH ELMSLIE or THOMSON (1717-1788).

### V. ELSPET THOMSON or WALLACE (1750-1784).

### VI. ELSPET WALLACE or CHALMERS (1777-1853).

### VII. ALEXANDER WALLACE CHALMERS (1801-1862).

### VIII. CHRISTIAN CHALMERS or SMITH (1826-1876).

### IX. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH.

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### THE FAMILY OF ELSDON

(WHITLEY, NEWCASTLE, (1630- ).

#### I. WILLIAM ELSDON (1630-1714).

William Elsdon, *b.* 1630; *m.* about 1656; *d.* 6th June, 1714, and was buried in Tynemouth Churchyard. His family consisted of:—

1. William, *b.* about 1657; *m.* before 1687; *d.* after 1687. His family consisted of:—

(1) Edward, *b.* 21st Aug., 1687; *d.* 16th Feb., 1690.

2. ANTHONY, *b.* about 1660, of whom hereafter.

#### II. ANTHONY ELSDON (1660—after 1706).

Anthony Elsdon, *b.* 1660; *m.* 11th June, 1689, Anne Robinson; *d.* after 1706. He lived at Whitley. Their family consisted of:—

1. William, *b.* 30th March, 1690.
2. Ellinor, *b.* 10th July, 1692.
3. Thomas, *b.* 8th Oct., 1695.
4. Robert, *b.* 1st Aug., 1698. The Register of Tynemouth gives the death of George Elsdon, son of Robert Elsdon, of Whitley, on 22nd July, 1733.
5. Anthony, *b.* 11th April, 1701.
6. John, *b.* 11th April, 1701, twin.
7. MARY, *b.* 16th Nov., 1702, of whom hereafter.
8. Jane, *b.* 15th April, 1706; *d.* 6th Feb., 1707, and was buried at Spittle, Northumberland.

#### III. MARY ELSDON or ADDIE (1702—after 1722.)

Mary Elsdon, *b.* 16th Nov., 1702; *m.* 30th May, 1721, Richard Addie (*b.* 16th Oct., 1702; *d.* after 1722); *d.* after 1722. Their family consisted of:—

1. MARY, *b.* 1722; *m.* 8th Dec., 1745, Andrew Jamson, Farmer, of Whitley, of whom hereafter.

#### IV. MARY ADDIE or JAMSON (1722—after 1762).

#### V. RICHARD JAMSON (1759-1836).

#### VI. MARY JAMSON or CHALMERS (1795-1878).

#### VII. CHRISTIAN CHALMERS or SMITH (1826-1876).

#### VIII. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH,





*Hugh Irvine. Pinx.*

CASTLE STREET, ABERDEEN.

1812.



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*Engd by J. Swan Glasgow*

MARISCHAL COLLEGE

1822.



## GRANT

### THE FAMILY OF GRANT

(ABERLOUR, 1680— ).

#### I. AARON GRANT (1680—after 1718).

Aaron Grant, *b.* 1680; *m.* before 1718; *d.* after 1718. He was a Farmer at Alachie, Aberlour. His family consisted of:—

1. Robert, *b.* 12th March, 1717.
2. JOHN, *b.* 15th April, 1718, of whom hereafter.
3. James, *b.* 15th March, 1719.
4. Jean, *b.* 16th Feb., 1721; *d.* 1st Sept., 1752.
5. Alexander, *b.* 25th June, 1723; *d.* 26th May, 1741.
6. Lillias, *b.* 3rd Sept., 1725.
7. Janet, *b.* 7th July, 1727.
8. Elspet, *b.* 7th April, 1730; *d.* 20th Sept., 1752.

#### II. JOHN GRANT (1718—after 1740).

John Grant, *b.* 15th April, 1718; *m.* 31st August, 1738, Isobel Green, daughter of William Green, Kirktown, Aberlour, of whom hereafter; *d.* after 1740. He was a Farmer at Beloin, Aberlour. Their family consisted of:—

1. WILLIAM, *b.* 10th Dec., 1740, of whom hereafter.

#### III. WILLIAM GRANT (1740—after 1780).

William Grant, *b.* 10th Dec., 1740; *m.* before 1759; *d.* after 1780. He was a Farmer at Beloin, Aberlour. He removed at an early age from Aberlour along with many others who, subsequent to the troublous times of "the '45," left Speyside for Deeside, and settled on the beautiful slopes of Mortlich, Aboyne, at the farm of Mickle Tillylair. His family consisted of:—

1. Robert, *b.* 21st Jan., 1759,
2. William, *b.* 14th Jan., 1762.
3. George, *b.* 4th April, 1766; *m.* before 1802, Ann Forbes (*b.* 1773; *d.* 16th June, 1845); *d.* 16th Jan., 1820. He was a Farmer at Old Town, Aboyne. Their family consisted of:—
  - (1) Joseph, *b.* 26th Dec., 1802; *m.* Margaret Cook. He was a House Carpenter, and was for many years in the service of the Marquis of Huntly at Aboyne Castle. Their family consisted of:—

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- i. John, who was married and had a family. He died at Kingston-on-Thames, about 1882.
  - ii. Robert, *b.* 1844, who was a Druggist; *d.* 13th Jan., 1889, at Aberdeen.
  - iii. Margaret, and iv. George, who are dead.
  - v. Joseph, who is married and is a Farmer at Lacota, U.S.A. His family consists of:—(i.) Annie, (ii.) Mary, (iii.) Nelly, (iv.) Joseph.
- (2) Robert, *b.* 7th May, 1805; *m.* Mary Grant (*b.* 1829; *d.* 26th March, 1852); *d.* 6th March, 1860, and buried at Kirktown of Aboyne. He was a Farmer at Old Town, Aboyne. Their family consisted of:—
- i. Mary, *m.* 12th Jan., 1869, William Adams, third son of William Adams, Farmer, Auchenhove, Lumphanan. He was a Merchant at Torphins, Aberdeenshire. Their family consisted of:—
    - (i.) Robert, *b.* 21st Oct., 1869; *d.* 29th June, 1901. He was a Merchant at Torphins.
    - (ii.) Margaret, *m.* 7th Feb., 1897, Joseph Orchardson Dickie, Manufacturer, Aberdeen. Their family consists of:—
      - a.* Katherine Elizabeth, *b.* 20th April, 1899; *d.* 23rd Dec., 1905.
      - b.* Robert Grant Adams, *b.* 6th May, 1901.
      - c.* Mary Louise.
      - d.* Francis Orchardson, *b.* 17th Jan., 1906.
    - (iii.) Mary, *m.* 24th June, 1908, Alexander Gray, eldest son of Thomas Gray, Shipmaster, Aberdeen. He is Manager to Messrs. Farquhar & Gill, Colour Manufacturers, Aberdeen.
    - (iv.) William, *b.* 5th Aug., 1874; *d.* 7th Dec., 1907. He was a Merchant in Aberdeen.
- (3) Catherine, *b.* 30th Nov., 1808; *d.* 22nd Aug., 1834.
- (4) George, *b.* 9th Jan., 1810; *d.* 17th Jan., 1868. He was a Millwright at Craigmyle.

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4. JANET, *b.* 15th June, 1769; *m.* (1st) 4th May, 1803, James Smith—(2nd) 22nd June, 1808, George Cruickshank; *d.* 19th Nov., 1854, of whom hereafter.
5. Lewis, *b.* 2nd Aug., 1772. 6. Elspet, *b.* 12th Aug., 1775.
7. Joseph, *b.* 3rd Jan., 1779; *m.* Elizabeth Grant. He was for many years Minister's Man at Newmachar Manse. Their family consisted of:—
  - (1) Joseph; *m.* 18th Jan, 1853, Margaret Greig (*d.* 1899), daughter of James Greig, Builder, Hillhead of Tarves, and a cousin of Rev. Francis Knox, M.A., Minister of Tarves; *d.* 1862. He was a Farm Overseer at Keith-hall, Inverurie. Their family consisted of:—
    - i. Maggie, *b.* 1854; *d.* 1857.
    - ii. Joseph, *b.* 30th Jan., 1856; *m.* 17th Nov., 1892, Georgina Polson, fifth daughter of George Polson (younger brother of Robert Polson, M.D., Old Aberdeen), Farmer, Tillycairn, Cluny, and Ann Thomson, only daughter of Charles Thomson, Farmer, Kingsford, Auchterless. M.A., Aberdeen University, 1882. He is Schoolmaster of Midmar, Aberdeenshire. Their family consists of:—
      - (i.) Joseph, *b.* 26th Sept., 1893. He is a Banker.
      - (ii.) Ian, *b.* 7th Aug., 1895. He is an Engineer.
      - (iii.) George, *b.* 19th Sept., 1896. He is a Banker.
      - (iv.) Anna. (v.) Kathleen.
    - iii. John, *b.* 26th Sept., 1858; *m.* 30th March, 1888, Margaret Marshall, younger daughter of James Marshall, Farmer, Cruden. He is a Watchmaker and Jeweller in Aberdeen. Their family consists of:—
      - (i.) Maggie. She is a Teacher in Aberdeen.
      - (ii.) John, *b.* 6th Aug., 1889. He is a Watchmaker in Aberdeen.
      - (iii.) Nellie, *b.* 22nd May, 1891; *d.* 10th April, 1899.
      - (iv.) Grace Polson. (v.) Annie Davidson.

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- (vi.) Norman Marshall, *b.* 8th Oct., 1896.
- (vii.) Robert Forgan, *b.* 18th Dec., 1898.
- (viii.) Marjorie Agnes Davidson.
- (2) John, and (3) Jane; *d.* in infancy.
- (4) Elizabeth, and (5) John, who is dead.
- IV. JANET GRANT or SMITH (1769-1854).
- V. LEWIS SMITH (1804-1880).
- VI. JAMES SMITH (1826-1863).
- VII. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH.

## THE FAMILY OF GREEN

(ABERLOUR, 1685- ).

### I. WILLIAM GREEN (1685-1760).

William Green, *b.* about 1685; *m.* before 1708; *d.* 8th June, 1760. He resided at Kirktown, Aberlour. His family consisted of:—

- 1. Janet, *b.* 9th Nov., 1708.
- 2. Margaret, *b.* 3rd May, 1710; *d.* an infant.
- 3. William, *b.* 15th Feb., 1716.
- 4. James, *b.* 30th May, 1718.
- 5. ISOBEL, *b.* 2nd Oct., 1720; *m.* 31st Aug., 1738, John Grant, Farmer, Beloin, Aberlour; *d.* after 1740, of whom hereafter.
- 6. Alexander, *b.* 7th Jan., 1725.
- 7. Margaret, *b.* 7th Nov., 1727; *d.* 10th April, 1739.

### II. ISOBEL GREEN or GRANT (1720—after 1740).

Isobel Green, *b.* 2nd Oct., 1720; *m.* 31st Aug., 1738, John Grant, Farmer, Beloin, Aberlour, of whom before; *d.* after 1740. Their family consisted of:—

- 1. WILLIAM, *b.* 10th Dec., 1740, of whom before,

### III. WILLIAM GRANT (1740-after 1780).

### IV. JANET GRANT or SMITH (1769-1854).

### V. LEWIS SMITH (1804-1880).

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LEWIS SMITH

Born at Newburgh, 18th April, 1804  
Died at Aberdeen, 24th October, 1880



## HILL

### THE FAMILY OF HILL

(ST CYRUS, 1686— ).

#### I. WILLIAM HILL (1686-1756).

William Hill, *b.* about 1686 ; *m.* 7th June, 1709, Christian George (*b.* 1686 ; *d.* 14th April, 1754) ; *d.* 7th April, 1756.

"Aprile 29, 1709. William Hill and Christian George were contracted in order to marriage and gave bond of continency."

"June 7, 1709. William Hill and Christian George were married." (*St. Cyrus Registers*).

William Hill was Farmer at Stone of Morphie, St. Cyrus, his wife apparently belonging to the same district, as the name George repeatedly occurs in the oldest registers at Stone of Morphie. Before 1723 he removed to Scotstown of Kirksyde, where his three youngest children were born. The family consisted of:—

1. HERCULES, *b.* 26th March, 1710, of whom hereafter.
2. Margaret, *b.* 23rd Feb., 1713.
3. Christian, *b.* 1714.
4. John, *b.* 20th April, 1715.
5. Alexander, *b.* 27th May, 1716.
6. James, *b.* 25th May, 1718.
7. Isabel, *b.* 24th May, 1719.
8. Robert, *b.* 15th Dec., 1723 ; *m.* 10th June, 1750, Helen Kemlo.
9. Janet, *b.* 30th Jan., 1726.
10. Joseph, *b.* 23rd June, 1728.

The family grave is in the Lower Churchyard of St. Cyrus, where a handsomely engraved stone records that William Hill died April the 7th, 1756, aged 70 years, and that Christian George died April the 14th, 1754, aged 68 years. No trace has been found of the future of the family except the eldest, nor can the family of George be traced.

#### II. HERCULES HILL (1710—before 1798).

Hercules Hill, *b.* 26th March, 1710 ; *m.* before 1750, Christian Moncur (*b.* 1710 ; *d.* after 1755) ; *d.* before 1798.

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“20 August, 1750. Hercules Hill, Wool-comber, had Christian. (*Dunnottar Register*).

The foregoing baptismal entry shows that Hercules Hill had left St. Cyrus and found his way to Stonehaven as a Wool-comber. He had married, before 1750, Christian Moncur (of whom nothing further is known), who bore him:—

1. CHRISTIAN, *b.* 20th Aug., 1750, of whom hereafter.
2. Mary, *b.* 7th Aug., 1753.
3. Hercules, *b.* 24th Sept., 1755; *m.* before 1794; *d.* 13th Oct., 1818.

The latter names appear in the Registers of St. Paul's Episcopal Chapel, Aberdeen, the children being baptised by Rev. Thomas Moses—Mary in presence of Alexander Chalmers, Tailor, and John Durward, Mason; and Hercules in presence of John Nicol, Wool-comber, and John Donald, Gardener. Hercules Hill was buried in St. Nicholas Churchyard, 13th Oct., 1818, and had at least two children born to him by his wife, whose name is unknown—

- (1) Catherine, *b.* 1794; *m.* William Smith, Inspector of Excise (*b.* 1785; *d.* 13th June, 1854, at Edinburgh, and was interred in St. Cuthbert's Churchyard); *d.* 5th Sept., 1848.
- (2) Samuel, *b.* 1799; *m.* 17th Jan., 1819, Janet Grant (*b.* 1797; *d.* 19th June, 1863, and was interred in St. Peter's Cemetery, Aberdeen), daughter of Sergeant John Grant, Pensioner, 53rd Regiment of Foot; *d.* 24th Aug., 1849. He was a Clerk at Aberdeen Gas Works. Their family consisted of:—
  - i. Christian Chalmers, *b.* 12th May, 1821.
  - ii. John Grant, *b.* 15th Aug., 1823.
  - iii. Samuel, *b.* 19th Feb., 1825.

### III. CHRISTIAN HILL (1750-1836).

Christian Hill, *b.* 20th Aug., 1750; *m.* 1st April, 1798; *d.* 10th Aug., 1836.

In 1770, Christian Hill gave birth to Samuel Chalmers, whose father was William Chalmers, M.D., a distinguished young physician in Aberdeen, who became in 1782 Professor of Medicine in King's College, Aberdeen, and died in 1792, of whom before. On 1st April 1798,



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Christian Hill was married by Rev. John Bryce, Minister of Belmont Chapel of Ease, to, and became the second wife of, Mr. John Lamb, Wright and Elder, Aberdeen, who was born 17th Feb., 1737, and died on 24th March, 1823, at the great age of 86. From Mr. Lamb, by his first marriage, is descended Mr. Walter A. Reid, C.A., Aberdeen, who is Mr. Lamb's great-grandson. Mrs. Lamb survived till 10th Aug., 1836, when also at the age of 86 she was interred in St. Nicholas Churchyard, Aberdeen, in Lair D. 764, beside Mr. Lamb and the relatives of his first wife, Janet Ferguson, who died 22nd April, 1797, of whom hereafter.

IV. SAMUEL CHALMERS (1770-1819).

V. ALEXANDER WALLACE CHALMERS (1801-1862).

VI. CHRISTIAN CHALMERS or SMITH (1826-1876).

VII. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH.

## THE FAMILY OF HOPPER

(TYNEMOUTH, 1665- ).

I. ALEXANDER HOPPER (1665-1726).

Alexander Hopper, *b.* 1665; *m.* before 1690, Jane — (*b.* 1665; *d.* 6th April, 1707); *d.* 1st May, 1726, and was interred in Tynemouth Churchyard beside his wife.

In the Register of Tynemouth, the only detail given is "of Tinmouth," where his wife Jane died, 6th April, 1707. They had a son:—

I. CUTHBERT, *b.* 14th Jan., 1690, of whom hereafter.

The Hoppers are a numerous family in the district of Newcastle, and in the county of Northumberland.

II. CUTHBERT HOPPER (1690-1769).

Cuthbert Hopper, *b.* 14th Jan., 1690; *m.* about 1732, Elizabeth — (*b.* 1690; *d.* 15th April, 1774); *d.* 3rd April, 1769. He was a Farmer at Tynemouth. Their family consisted of:—

1. Jacob, *b.* 1st July, 1734; *m.* 5th May, 1766, Ann Kilpatrick (*b.* about 1734; *d.* 13th Dec., 1829, aged 95); *d.* 22nd Nov., 1778. He was a Farmer at Tynemouth. Their family consisted of:—

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- (1) John, *b.* 3rd May, 1767 ; *m.* about 1790, Susanna —  
(*b.* 1766 ; *d.* 7th March, 1844) ; *d.* before 1844.
- (2) Dorothy, *b.* 16th April, 1769.
- (3) Jacob, *b.* 6th Feb., 1771 ; *d.* an infant.
- (4) Jacob, *b.* 13th Dec., 1772.
- (5) Jane, *b.* 13th Nov., 1774 ; *d.* 29th Nov., 1781.
- (6) Anne, *b.* 23rd Feb., 1777 ; *d.* 2nd April, 1823.
2. CUTHBERT, *b.* 2nd Aug., 1737 ; *m.* 6th Feb., 1766, Mary Carns ;  
*d.* 3rd Oct., 1819, of whom hereafter.
3. Alexander, *b.* 28th June, 1739.
4. Ann, *b.* 27th Oct., 1740 ; *d.* an infant.
5. Ann, *b.* 2nd Aug., 1743.

### III. CUTHBERT HOPPER (1737-1819).

Cuthbert Hopper, *b.* 2nd Aug., 1737 ; *m.* 6th Feb., 1766, Mary Carns (*b.* about 1737 ; *d.* after 1782) ; *d.* 3rd Oct., 1819. He was a Farmer on the Duke of Northumberland's estate. In 1766 he farmed about 48 acres at Huxter's Flatt, North Cross Close, South Cross Close, and West Marsh or Hopper's Marsh. In North Cross Close stands the famous old sculptured stone called the "Monk's Stone," or "The Cross of Seaton," with its quaint legend. Cuthbert Hopper and Jacob Hopper, his elder brother, were also joint-owners of pew 80 in the Parish Church. Down at least to 1805, the Hoppers held lands at Tynemouth. Their family consisted of:—

1. Cuthbert, *b.* 12th Oct., 1766 ; *m.* before 1794, Dinah Orton, of Chester-le-Street, near Durham (*b.* 1770 ; *d.* 20th Oct., 1821).  
He was a Farmer. Their family consisted of:—
  - (1) Cuthbert, *b.* 9th March, 1794 ; *d.* 1st Jan., 1797.
  - (2) Elizabeth, *b.* 1st May, 1796.
  - (3) Dinah, *b.* 26th Dec., 1797.
  - (4) Mary, *b.* 23rd Dec., 1798 ; *d.* 11th July, 1800.
  - (5) Eleanor, *b.* 5th May, 1803 ; *d.* 17th July, 1808.
  - (6) Hannah, *b.* 6th March, 1805 ; *d.* 25th July, 1808.
  - (7) Cuthbert, *b.* 9th Nov., 1808 ; *m.* Ann — (*b.* 1811 ;  
*d.* 22nd April, 1838) ; *d.* 14th April, 1839.
2. Jane, *b.* 27th Nov., 1768 ; *d.* 28th April, 1769.

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3. ELIZABETH, *b.* 8th April, 1770; *m.* 1st Oct., 1792, Richard Jamson, Shipmaster, of whom hereafter; *d.* 28th April, 1830.
4. Thomas, *b.* 8th March, 1772; *m.* 26th Aug., 1794, Ann Codling (*b.* about 1772; *d.* after 1813), of Cramlington, near Newcastle; *d.* after 1813. He was a Farmer. Their family consisted of:—
  - (1) Mary, *b.* 22nd Feb., 1795.
  - (2) Ralph, *b.* 4th June, 1797; *m.* Isabel ——. He was a Farmer.
  - (3) Isabella, *b.* 26th April, 1799.
  - (4) Anne, *b.* 2nd Oct., 1801.
  - (5) Elizabeth, *b.* 12th Aug., 1803.
  - (6) Eleanor, *b.* 4th Sept., 1805.
  - (7) Cuthbert, *b.* 21st Oct., 1806.
  - (8) Thomas, *b.* 30th April, 1808; *m.* before 1837, Jane ——. Their family consisted of:—
    - i. William, *b.* 10th June, 1837; *d.* 10th June, 1839.
    - (9) John, *b.* 5th Feb., 1813; *d.* 8th June, 1814.
5. Edward, *b.* 28th Nov., 1773; *d.* 31st March, 1774.
6. Mary, *b.* 16th July, 1775; *d.* 21st March, 1776.
7. Robert, *b.* 16th Feb., 1777; *m.* Jane Booth, of Bishop Auckland (*b.* 1772; *d.* 11th Aug., 1843); *d.* 18th Oct., 1848. They occupied a farm at Tynemouth, and had seven children:—
  - (1) Robert, *b.* 21st May, 1801; *d.* 3rd Jan., 1841. He was a Master Mariner.
  - (2) Mary, *b.* 1803; *d.* 16th April, 1806.
  - (3) William, *b.* 8th Sept., 1804; *d.* 17th Sept., 1829. He was a Mariner.
  - (4) Cuthbert, *b.* 21st Oct., 1806; *d.* 18th April, 1838. He was a Master Mariner.
  - (5) Thomas, *b.* 22nd Oct., 1808. He was a Farmer.
  - (6) Ann, *b.* 9th Nov., 1810.
  - (7) Richard, *b.* 22nd Dec., 1813; *d.* 12th Aug., 1835. He was a Mariner.

Most of these are interred in the family grave in Tynemouth Priory Churchyard, where a stone records their names.

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- 8. Margaret, *b.* 28th March, 1779; *d.* 25th Dec., 1781.
- 9. Eleanor, *b.* 20th Jan., 1782.

IV. ELIZABETH HOPPER or JAMSON (1770-1830).

V. MARY JAMSON or CHALMERS (1795-1878).

VI. CHRISTIAN CHALMERS or SMITH (1826-1876).

VII. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH

## THE FAMILY OF IRNSIDE

NEW DEER (*c.* 1660— ).

I. ELSPET IRNSIDE (*c.* 1660—after 1696).

Elspet Ironside, *b.* about 1660; *m.* about 1688, Alexander Wallace, Farmer, Auchmaledy, New Deer. Their family consisted of:—

- 1. ALEXANDER, *b.* 16th March, 1690; *m.* about 1725, Isobel Milne (*b.* 1st April, 1692; *d.* after 1749) daughter of George Milne, Farmer, Rottencairns, New Deer, of whom hereafter; *d.* after 1749.

- 2. William, *b.* 13th Feb., 1696.

II. ALEXANDER WALLACE (1690—after 1749).

III. JOHN WALLACE (1749-1813).

IV. ELSPET WALLACE or CHALMERS (1777-1853).

V. ALEXANDER WALLACE CHALMERS (1801-1862).

VI. CHRISTIAN CHALMERS or SMITH (1826-1876).

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COLONEL CHARLES JAMES JOHNSTON, V.D., D.L., J.P.  
of Lesmurdie, Elgin

## JAMSON

### THE FAMILY OF JAMSON (WHITLEY, NEWCASTLE, 1720-- )

#### I. ANDREW JAMSON (1720-1774).

"8th Dec., 1745. Andrew Jamson and Mary Addie. 3/6." (*Tynemouth Marriage Register.*)

Andrew Jamson, born about 1720, was a Farmer at Whitley, a small fishing village—now a fashionable watering place—on the Northumberland Coast,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles N. of Tynemouth. On 8th Dec., 1745, he married, at Tynemouth Parish Church, Mary Addie (*b.* about 1720), daughter of Richard Addie, of Tynemouth (*b.* 16th Oct., 1702; *m.* 30th May, 1721, Mary Elsdon, *b.* 16th Nov., 1702, daughter of Anthony Elsdon, of Whitley). Andrew Jamson died 8th March, 1774. Their family consisted of:—

1. John, *b.* 17th April, 1748; *m.* 3rd Jan., 1774, Anne Thompson; *d.* 7th Jan., 1784. He was a Mariner at Cullercoats, near Newcastle, and had four of a family—

- (1) Andrew, *b.* 11th Dec., 1774; *m.* 12th Feb., 1803, Margaret Stephenson (*b.* 13th Jan., 1782; *d.* 23rd Dec., 1864), fifth daughter of Anthony Stephenson, Shipowner, North Shields; *d.* 10th May, 1811. He was a Shipmaster at Aberdeen, and engaged in whale-fishing at Greenland, where he died. His body was brought to Aberdeen on his ship, "The Jane," and buried amid universal respect and regret at his early death, in the Old Churchyard at Nigg. The *Aberdeen Journal* of 14th Aug., 1811, thus refers to his death:—"On Saturday arrived the 'Jane' of this port from Greenland, with 14 fish, about 120 tons. It is with great concern we state that Captain Andrew Jamson of the 'Jane' died at Greenland of a fever on the 10th of May, after ten days' illness. Cut off in the prime of life, Captain Jamson is sincerely regretted by the extensive circle of his friends and acquaintances, by whom he will be long remembered; and while those more immediately connected with him in business pay a just tribute to his memory by expressing their sense of the integrity, zeal, and activity which dis-

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tinguished his character in the discharge of the various duties of his situation, they cordially unite in lamenting his loss, which to his disconsolate widow and young family must be irreparable." Their family consisted of:—

- i. Mary Ann, *b.* 8th July, 1806; *d.* 12th July, 1813.
- ii. Margaret, *b.* 17th April, 1809; *m.* 10th Nov., 1838, Edward Mortimer (*b.* 1802; *d.* 19th May, 1864), Solicitor, Banff; *d.* 24th Sept., 1875. Their family consisted of:—

(i.) Edward, *b.* 5th March, 1847; *d.* 8th Feb., 1871.

Mrs. Andrew Jamson became, on 9th Nov., 1816, the second wife of James Nicol, Collector of Customs, Banff (*b.* 25th April, 1767; *m.* 1789, Helen Barclay, eldest daughter of George Barclay, Builder, Aberdeen; *d.* 24th April, 1849). Mr. James Nicol, by his first marriage, had a family of two: (1) William Nicol (*b.* 15th Sept., 1790; *m.* 4th Jan., 1822, Margaret Dyce Nicol—*b.* 25th July, 1799; *d.* 8th August, 1860—*d.* 28th July, 1879), Merchant, Bombay, and also M.P. for Dover, 1859-1865. (2) James, *b.* 10th June, 1796; *d.* 7th Oct., 1820, on his passage to Bombay.

[Mr. James Nicol's elder brother was William Nicol, M.D., Stonehaven, late Surgeon. R.N., one of whose sons, Mr. James Dyce Nicol of Ballogie and Badentoy, was M.P. for Kincardineshire, 1865-72, also D.L. and J.P., whose eldest son, Mr. William Edward Nicol, D.L. and J.P., succeeded him as Proprietor, and has written a history of the Nicol Family (Kincardineshire Branch), Lond., 1909, *privately printed*.]

By his second marriage with Mrs. Andrew Jamson, Mr. James Nicol had a family of three:—

- (1) Helen, *b.* 19th Jan., 1818; *m.* 20th July, 1843, James Crosbie (*b.* 1809; *d.* 7th April, 1870), Banker, Banff; *d.* 30th July, 1903. Mr. Crosbie had a family of four:—



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- a.* Margaret Nicol, *m.* John Andrew Maitland, Merchant, China.
- b.* Mary, *m.* 10th Feb., 1870, Colonel Charles James Johnston, V.D., D.L., J.P., of Lesmurdie, Manufacturer, Elgin. Their family consists of:—
  - (*a*) William James, *b.* 11th Dec., 1870; *m.* Florence Neame, of Faversham, Kent. He is a Major in the Royal Engineers. Their family consists of:—
    - Charles Percy Ronald, *b.* 10th June, 1901.
    - Kenneth Arthur William, *b.* 2nd Feb., 1906.
    - Florence Marjory.
  - (*b*) Charles Ernest, *b.* 18th Dec., 1871; *m.* 23rd Feb., 1909, Irene Schultz, of Gatehouse, Kent. He served in the South African War, 1900-1, and is Hon. Captain in the Army and Major in the Scottish Horse Imperial Yeomanry (retired). Their family consists of Barbara Carol.
  - (*c*) Leonard Crosbie, *b.* 5th June, 1875; *d.* 3rd June, 1901.
  - (*d*) Colin Macandrew, *b.* 3rd October, 1880.
  - (*e*) Norman Nicol, *b.* 2nd June, 1885.
- c.* Jamesina Nicol, *m.* William Kidner, Architect, London, and has a family of Percy and Helen.
- d.* William Nicol, *b.* 1853; *d.* 29th Dec., 1886, in Ceylon.
- (2) Andrew, *b.* 30th Dec., 1819; *m.* 1856, Jane Stronach, daughter of John Stronach, of Muiryfold, Banffshire; *d.* 23rd June, 1889.

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He was a Coffee Planter in Ceylon, and a Member of Ceylon Legislative Council. They had a family of five daughters:—

- a. Mary Frances, *m.* 1883, Augustus Thorne, D.L., Merchant, London, and Barrister-at-Law, Middle Temple, and had a family of two sons and four daughters.
- b. Blanche, *m.* 1888, James Allan, Solicitor, Elgin, and had a family of three sons and two daughters.
- c. Margaret Dyce, *m.* 1889, Ernest Francis Messervy, Coffee Planter, Ceylon, and had three sons and one daughter.
- d. Alice Joanna Stronach, *m.* 1887, James Roydon Hughes, Coffee Planter, Ceylon, and had one daughter.
- e. Constance Isobel Lumsden, *m.* 1896, David Francis Nedham Farquharson, Manufacturer, Birmingham.

(3) James, *b.* 20th April, 1823. It is believed he died in Australia.

iii. Isobel, *b.* 9th Oct., 1811 ; *m.* 21st Jan., 1839, Francis Garden Sangster (*b.* 1807 ; *d.* 13th Sept., 1850), Solicitor and Bank Agent, Banff ; *d.* 25th April, 1881. Their family consisted of:—

- (i.) Elizabeth Smith.
- (ii.) Alexander A.
- (iii.) Margaret Mary.
- (iv.) James Andrew, *b.* 14th May, 1845 ; *d.* 27th Oct., 1846.
- (v.) Francis, *b.* 16th March, 1847.
- (vi.) Edward Mortimer, *b.* 18th July, 1849.
- (vii.) Henrietta Milne.

(2) Elizabeth, *b.* 12th Oct., 1777 ; *d.* 2nd Dec., 1778.

(3) William, *b.* 19th Dec., 1779 ; *m.* 5th Dec., 1801, Mary Stephenson (*b.* 1st Sept., 1776 ; *d.* 16th Feb., 1856), fourth

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daughter of Anthony Stephenson, Shipowner, North Shields; *d.* 17th June, 1803. He was also a Shipmaster at Aberdeen, and engaged in whale-fishing at Greenland. He was Master of the ship "Fortune," of Liverpool. He died at Davis Strait, and was buried in Whalefish Island. Their family consisted of:—

i. Ann, *b.* 1803; *d.* 22nd May, 1868.

(4) Mary, *b.* 23rd Sept., 1781.

2. William, *b.* 10th Feb., 1751; *m.* 12th July, 1773, Margaret Sadler (*b.* 1736; *d.* 24th Jan., 1799); *d.* 16th June, 1802. He was a Master Mariner at Cullercoats and Whitley. They had one child,

(1) Mary, *b.* 31st July, 1774; *d.* 8th Dec., 1776.

3. Andrew, *b.* 6th Jan., 1753; *m.* 20th Sept., 1778, Esther Swallow; *d.* 22nd Dec., 1830. He was a Mariner at North Shields. They had a family of four:—

(1) Mary, *b.* 6th May, 1782.

(2) Sarah, *b.* 6th Sept., 1784.

(3) Margaret, *b.* 22nd Aug., 1790.

(4) Hannah Esther, *b.* 2nd Aug., 1793; *d.* 1st Feb., 1838.

4. Matthew (mis-named "Martha" in the Register), *b.* 18th Jan., 1756; *m.* 24th Nov., 1774, Jane Buckham; *d.* 9th May, 1787. He was an Innkeeper at North Shields. They had a family of two:—

(1) Mary, *b.* 1st Oct., 1775.

- (2) Thomasin, *b.* 1st June, 1777; *m.* 21st April, 1800, William Honeyman, Shipowner, North Shields (*b.* 1772; *d.* 20th July, 1818). Their family consisted of:—

i. Elizabeth.

ii. Henry Jamson.

iii. John.

iv. Alice. She died 6th Dec., 1850, and was buried in Tynemouth Priory Churchyard.

5. Joseph, *b.* 9th July, 1758, of whom nothing more is known.

6. RICHARD, *b.* 1st. Nov., 1759, of whom hereafter.

7. Thomas, *b.* 31st Oct., 1762; *d.* 3rd Jan., 1794. He was a Waterman at Cullercoats.

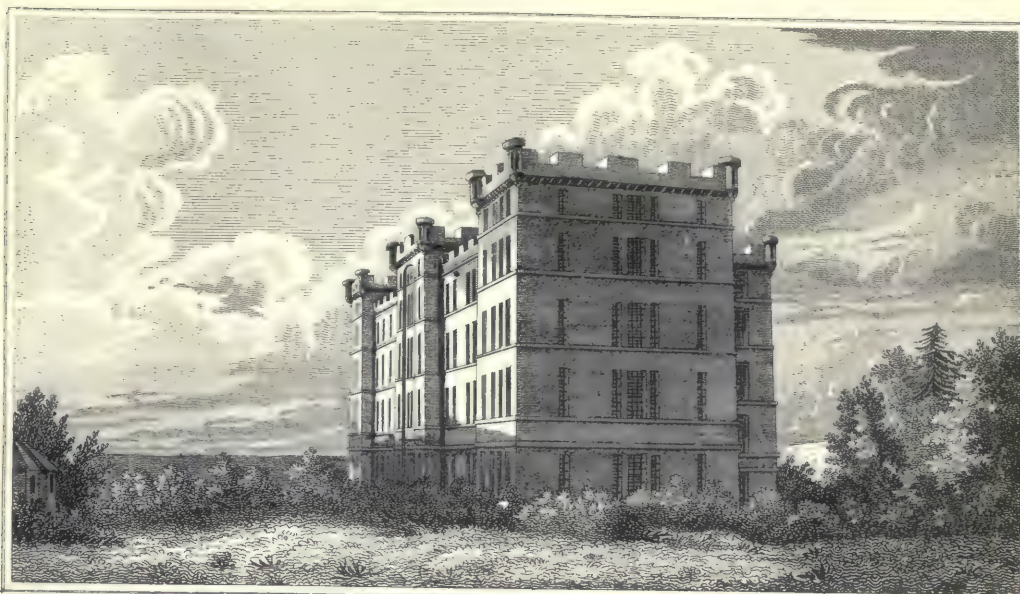
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### II. RICHARD JAMSON (1759-1836).

Richard Jamson, *b.* 1st Nov., 1759, at Whitley, near Newcastle; *m.* at Tynemouth, on 1st Oct., 1792, Elizabeth Hopper, in presence of Dorothy Hopper and Cuthbert Hopper; *d.* at Aberdeen, 24th Dec., 1836. Burgess of Guild, 11th Feb., 1813. He was a Shipmaster at Tynemouth and later at Aberdeen, from which he sailed to Greenland to prosecute the whale-fishing. During the prosperous years he amassed a large fortune and retired from the sea, only to be deprived later of all he had when the fisheries failed. In his early life, in North Shields, he was pursued by a press-gang, and only escaped capture by hiding under a bed on which lay a corpse. Later he was caught, and served at sea during the American War (1776-83).—Another thrilling experience in his life was when the whaler "Oscar" was wrecked at Greyhope Bay, near Girdleness, Aberdeen, on 1st April, 1813, and all her crew of 44 perished, except John Jamson, First Mate and Harpooner, and James Venus, Boatsteerer. Captain Jamson, on hearing of the wreck, crossed the Dee to render help, and seeing something (which he took to be the ship's dog) drifting inwards, put out his staff and drew it ashore. It turned out to be his own nephew, John Jamson.—They had a family of twelve :—

1. Richard, *b.* 22nd Aug., 1793; *d.* 20th May, 1794, and was interred in the family grave in the Old Churchyard of Nigg.
2. MARY, *b.* 21st Sept., 1795; *m.* 24th March, 1825, Alexander Wallace Chalmers, Governor of the Aberdeen Prisons—of whom before; *d.* 3rd Aug., 1878.
3. Elizabeth, *b.* 2nd Oct., 1797; *d.* 16th April, 1867. She was for 25 years Matron of Robert Gordon's Hospital, Aberdeen.
4. Eleanor, *b.* 5th May, 1799; *d.* 16th April, 1817.
5. William, *b.* 27th April, 1801; *d.* 23rd Aug., 1819. He was a Ship's Mate, and died at Kingston, Jamaica, of yellow fever.
6. Richard, *b.* 28th June, 1803; *m.* 4th May, 1830, Jane Geering, of Jersey; *d.* 13th March, 1835. He was a Shipmaster, and died on a voyage from the West Indies, three days out from Barbadoes, and was buried at sea.
7. Margaret, *b.* 7th June, 1805; *d.* 17th August, 1842.



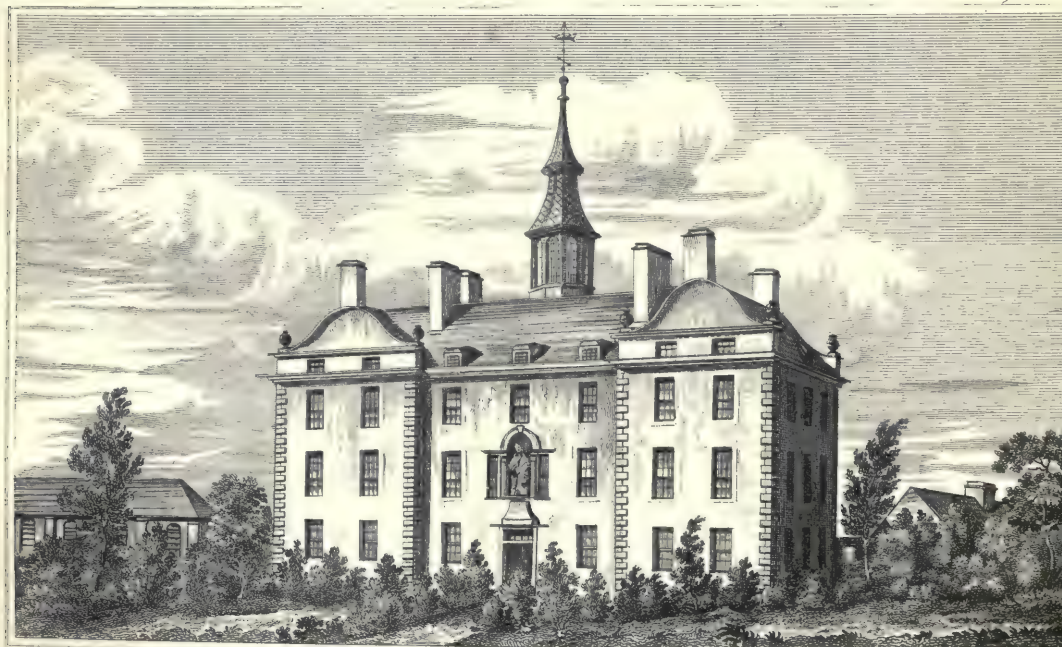


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8. Cuthbert, *b.* 11th April, 1807; *m.* 13th March, 1834, Margaret Sinclair, daughter of Laurence Sinclair, Shipmaster, Aberdeen; *d.* 15th Feb., 1836. He was a Shipmaster, and was drowned at sea with all his crew by the foundering of his vessel, "The Braemar," on the Goodwin Sands. Their family consisted of:—

(1) Margaret, *b.* 1835; *d.* 24th Nov., 1875, at Birmingham. She was a Governess in Aberdeen and elsewhere.

(2) Elizabeth Mary, *b.* June, 1836; *d.* a week old.

The next two children of Richard Jamson were twin.

9. John, *b.* 19th July, 1809; *m.* 28th Nov., 1834, Margaret Macgregor (*b.* 26th Aug., 1814; *d.* 14th Nov., 1863), second daughter of William Macgregor, Shipmaster, Aberdeen, who in his time commanded the "Perseverance," "Resolution," "Jack Tar," "Caledonia," "Margaret Ann," and "Europa," all of Aberdeen; *d.* 25th Sept., 1875. He was a Shipmaster at Aberdeen, commanding the ship "Orient." On a voyage from London to Aberdeen, in March, 1858, he was frost-bitten during a severe gale and lost the use of both his feet. He then retired from the sea. Their family consisted of:—

(1) Frances, *b.* 2nd April, 1836; *d.* 11th June, 1837.

(2) Elizabeth Willox, *b.* 21st Feb., 1839; *d.* 24th Feb., 1844.

(3) Mary Chalmers, *b.* 19th March, 1842; *m.* 15th Sept., 1868, James Walker (*b.* 26th Jan., 1842), Shipmaster, Aberdeen. Captain Walker sailed from New York, on 10th June, 1890, on board the full-rigged ship "The Ravenshall," of London, bound for Calcutta with a cargo of oil. The vessel was spoken in July off the River Plate, but was never again heard of. They had two daughters:—

i. Mary Jamson. She is a Teacher of Modern Languages. She was Town Council Gold Medallist, 1896, at Aberdeen High School for Girls, and is an LL.A. of St. Andrews University.

ii. Christina Macgregor. She is a Teacher of Modern Languages. She graduated M.A., with Honours in Modern Languages, at Aberdeen University, 1911.

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- (4) William Richard, *b.* 17th Oct., 1844; *d.* 29th Nov., 1874.  
He was a Shipmaster, and was lost in a great gale in the Bay of Biscay when sailing as Second Officer of the steamship "La Plata," bound for Brazil with a telegraph cable. Of the crew of 75, only 15 were saved. A brass tablet in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, commemorates the disaster.
10. Jane, *b.* 19th July, 1809; *d.* 14th Sept., 1810.
11. Thomasin, *b.* 28th May, 1811; *d.* 22nd Aug., 1898. She was a Lady Companion, and went out to India with Miss Harriet Boycott Forbes, of Newe, Aberdeenshire. Later, she entered the household of General Sir Thomas Macmahon, Bart., G.C.B., Commander-in-Chief of the Bombay Army, with whom she remained till Lady Macmahon's death in 1866. Thereafter, she was in the service of Lady Clayton East of Hall Place, Berks, till 1876. Advancing age led her to return to Aberdeen, where she died at the age of 87 years.
12. Jane, *b.* 8th April, 1813; *m.* 23rd April, 1834, William Drysdale (*b.* 9th Sept., 1801; *d.* 6th March, 1838), Shipmaster, Kincardine-on-Forth; *d.* 24th Sept., 1866. After her husband's death Mrs. Drysdale became Housekeeper to Lieutenant-General Lord Saltoun, K.C.B., K.T., at Philorth, Fraserburgh, and later was for some years Housekeeper to His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury (Dr. Sumner), at Lambeth Palace, London. She was also for a time in the household of Lord Mayo, who was assassinated in 1872, by a convict in the Andaman Islands, while Viceroy of India. They had one son,
- (1) William Richard, *b.* 26th Aug., 1835; *m.* 19th March, 1868, Susan Newby, eighth daughter of Charles and Rebecca Newby, Ice Merchant, City of London: *d.* 8th March, 1895, and was buried in Kensal Green Cemetery, London. He was educated at Robert Gordon's Hospital, Aberdeen, and was a Shipbroker in London.
- III. MARY JAMSON or CHALMERS (1795-1878).
- IV. CHRISTIAN CHALMERS or SMITH (1826-1876).
- V. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH.







ROBERT FERGUSSON, THE POET

Born 5th September, 1750

Died 16th October, 1774

## KER

### THE FAMILY OF KER

(KILDRUMMY, about 1650- ).

#### I. ALEXANDER KER (1650—after 1696).

Alexander Ker, *b.* about 1650; *m.* before 1674, Anna Gordon; *d.* after 1696.

In the "List of Pollable Persons within the Shire of Aberdeen, 1696," occur the following entries under the Parish of Kildrummy :—

##### DRUMNAHOOVE.

"Alexander Ker, tennent ther, and Anna Gordon his spouse, poll, £3 12s. od.

"Alexander, James, and Arthur Kers, his sons, their generall poll is £0 18s. od.

"Sophia, Elizabeth, and Margaret Kers, his daughters, their generall poll is £01 8s. od."

If the conjecture is correct that George Ker (of whom hereafter) was also a son of Alexander Ker, but absent from home when the poll was taken, then the family of the gentleman and tenant of Drumna-hoove (now called Drumnahive), consisted of :—

1. GEORGE, *b.* about 1674, of whom hereafter.

2. Alexander, *b.* about 1676, Farmer, in Culsh of Kildrummy, who was alive in 1734.

3. Sophia, *b.* about 1678, who married in 1704, John Forbes, of Templeton, Kildrummy (*b.* 24th Jan., 1680). Their family consisted of :—

(1) Barbara, *b.* 28th June, 1709.

(2) John, *b.* 9th Aug., 1711.

(3) Elizabeth, *b.* 6th March, 1714; *m.* 1741, William Fergusson, of Tarland, Aberdeenshire (*b.* 1714; *d.* 17th May, 1767); *d.* 19th April, 1782. Their family consisted of :—

i. Hary, *b.* 1742; ii. Barbara, *b.* 1744; iii. John, *b.* 1746.

iv. ROBERT, *b.* 5th Sept., 1750; *d.* 16th Oct., 1774.

Robert Fergusson will ever be remembered as one of the greatest of Scottish Poets, whose highest distinction was that he inspired Robert Burns, Scot-

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land's greatest poet. The latter, in gratitude for his gifts and in regret for Fergusson's early and untimely death, erected at his own expense in the Canongate Churchyard, Edinburgh—not far from the grave of Adam Smith, the author of "The Wealth of Nations"—a handsome tombstone thus inscribed :—

Here lies  
ROBERT FERGUSSON, Poet,  
Born September 5th, 1750.  
Died October 16th, 1774.

No Sculptured Marble here nor pompous lay,  
No Storied Urn nor animated Bust,  
This simple Stone directs Pale Scotia's way  
To pour her Sorrows o'er her Poet's Dust.

The reverse is inscribed :—

By special grant of the Managers to  
Robert Burns, who erected this  
Stone, this Burial place is to remain for  
Ever sacred to the memory of  
Robert Fergusson.

[The erroneous date 1751 is given on the stone].

v. Margaret, *b.* 1753 ; *m.* Alexander Duval, who was a Purser in the Royal Navy.

After her husband's death in 1767, Mrs. William Fergusson married Alexander Davidson, Bookseller, Edinburgh.

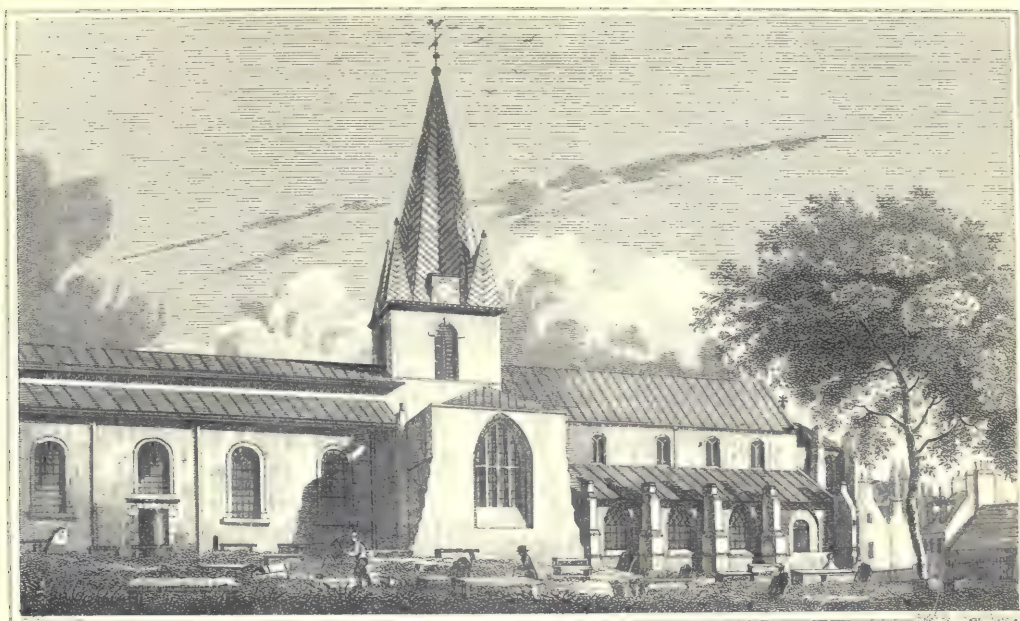
4. Elizabeth, *b.* about 1680 ; *m.* about 1702, Rev. Andrew Ker, M.A. (*d.* 3rd March, 1751), fourth son of Rev. Alexander Ker, M.A., Minister of Grange ; *d.* 26th Oct., 1736. He was elected Schoolmaster of Grange, 26th April, 1691, and continued to teach till Sept., 1694. He was, in 1701, ordained and inducted to the Parish of Walls and Flotta, Orkney, from which, on 2nd March, 1704, he was translated to the Second Charge of Kirkwall—the famous Cathedral. On 5th March, 1706, he was re-translated to Walls and Flotta, but never inducted, owing to the poverty of the stipend. Finally, on 5th Dec., 1722, he was translated to Rathven, Banffshire, where he died on 3rd March, 1751. His family consisted of :—



- (1) William.
- (2) Isobel, *b.* 23rd July, 1706.
- (3) Andrew, *b.* 17th March, 1709.
- (4) George, *b.* 8th Feb., 1712.
- (5) Elizabeth, *b.* after 1712; *m.* 5th Feb., 1729, Rev. Walter Morison, M.A. (*b.* 1692; *d.* 19th Jan., 1780), Minister of Deskford, Banffshire. Their family consisted of:—
  - i. Elizabeth, *b.* 29th April, 1731.
  - ii. Janet, *b.* 17th July, 1732.
  - iii. Sarabella, *b.* 14th Aug., 1733; *m.* (1st) 21st Dec., 1754, Rev. Harie Gordon, Minister of Ardersier (*d.* 15th March, 1764); *d.* 3rd Jan., 1811. Their family consisted of:—
    - (i.) Alexander, *d.* in Tobago, aged 26.
    - (ii.) George, Barrister, London.
    - (iii.) Abercromby, *b.* 1758; *m.* 23rd Dec., 1793, Janet Dunbar (*b.* 1764; *d.* 28th May, 1824), daughter of William Dunbar, of Nether Buckie; *d.* 12th March, 1821. He was Minister of Banff, 1793-1821. Their family consisted of:—
      - a. Sarabella, *b.* 20th Sept., 1798; *d.* 19th July, 1857, at Bath.
      - b. William, *b.* 5th Aug., 1800; *d.* 23rd April, 1831, at London, aged 29, in consequence of a fall from his horse.
      - c. Henry George, *b.* 24th Dec., 1801; *m.* Mary Ann Alexander (*d.* 1890), daughter of Provost George Alexander, Banff; *d.* at Boulogne, 7th June, 1883. He was Governor and Chief Manager of the Oriental Bank, London, and proprietor of Killiechassie, Perth. He had one son, Henry Panmure Gordon (1837-1902), the well-known Stockbroker, and one daughter, Georgina, *b.* in India, 28th Nov., 1836.

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- d.* Abercromby Lockhart, *b.* 1801; *m.* (1st), 28th Oct., 1833, his first cousin, Belinda Jane Dunbar (*d.* 1840), daughter of Major H. Dunbar, of Durn, Portsoy; *d.* 17th March, 1873. He was Minister of Greyfriars Parish, Aberdeen, 1826-1843, when he joined the Free Church. He married (2nd), 20th Dec., 1842, Ann Brougham (*d.* 1874), widow of John Edwards Vivian.
- e.* Margaret, *b.* 1st May, 1805; *d.* 9th April, 1849, at Newington, Edinburgh.
- f.* Janet, *b.* 30th April, 1807; *d.* 1873.
- (iv.) Pryse Lockhart, *b.* 23rd April, 1762; *m.* (1st), in 1787, Eliza Browne (*d.* 1794), daughter of Colonel John Browne, of the Marines; *m.* (2nd), 28th Jan., 1800, Margaret Fairs (*d.* 1850), widow of Captain Thomas Gorges; *d.* 2nd Sept., 1845, at Cheltenham. He was a Major in the North British Fencible Regiment. He published two books, "Personal Memoirs," 2 vols., London, 1830, and "Belgium and Holland," 2 vols., London, 1834, describing his travels and experiences there. His family consisted of:—
  - a.* William Abercromby, Lieutenant, Royal Artillery; *d.* 30th Sept., 1808, at Cheltenham.
  - b.* George Huntly, Amanuensis to Sir Walter Scott; *d.* 27th Dec., 1868, at Inverness, leaving an only son, Huntly Pryse, in the Madras Civil Service, who married, in 1862, Hester Elizabeth Perrin, of Kildare Lodge, Athy, and niece of Mr. Justice Perrin, who bore him George Huntly, Huntly Pryse, and Kathleen Hester Gordon.
  - c.* Bella.



ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH.

1822.



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1822.





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*d.* Jane Maxwell, *m.* 10th Sept., 1818, Edward Coxwell, of Ablington House, Gloucester.

(*v.*) A daughter.

Mrs. Sarabella Gordon *m.* (2nd), 14th June, 1785, Rev. Walter Chalmers, Minister of Deskford (*b.* 1744 ; *d.* 20th Dec., 1828) ; *d.* 3rd Jan., 1811.

iv. Colin, *b.* 18th Jan., 1735. M.A., King's College, 2nd April, 1752. He was an Artist in Rome.

v. Theodore, *b.* 25th Feb., 1737.

vi. Alexander, *b.* 13th June, 1738.

vii. Walter, *b.* 15th Aug., 1739.

viii. Patrick, *b.* 30th March, 1741.

5. Margaret, *b.* 16th Oct., 1682.

6. James, *b.* 22nd Aug., 1683 ; *m.* 1704, Jean Alexander, daughter of Rev. John Alexander, Minister of Kildrummy. The latter was an M.A. of St. Andrews, 27th July, 1661. On 16th Jan., 1668, Mr. Alexander (having been licensed 21st May, 1666, by George, Bishop of Edinburgh, after studying at St. Salvatore's College, St. Andrews) was ordained to the Parish of Creich. On 28th May, 1682, he was translated to Kildrummy, but deposed by the Presbytery of Alford, 3rd April, 1717, for praying for the Pretender and joining the Jacobite rebels. He died, Aug., 1717, aged about 76. A son, John, born to him by his wife Anna Gordon, studied at Marischal College, 1706-1710, was Milne Bursar, 1707-1710, and took the degree of M.A. He was a Presbyter at Alloa, and was consecrated Non-Juring Bishop of Dunkeld, 9th Aug., 1743.

James Ker, whose father, Alexander Ker, had been an Elder in Kildrummy before 1680, was a Farmer at Mains of Kildrummy, and died in 1734. His family consisted of:—

(1) Anna, *b.* 21st May, 1705 ; *d.* May, 1724.

(2) Jean, *b.* 13th Jan., 1707 ; *d.* an infant.

After the death of Mr. James Ker, his widow married Alexander Tower.

7. Arthur, *b.* 8th Sept., 1685 ; *m.* 1709 ; *d.* 1734. He was a Farmer at Wester Clova, Kildrummy. Their family consisted of:—

(1) Margaret, *b.* 9th May, 1710 ; *d.* an infant.

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- (2) Isobel, *b.* 15th Nov., 1711 ; *d.* after 1734.
- (3) Jean, *b.* 20th May, 1713 ; *d.* an infant.
- (4) Anna, *b.* 19th June, 1714 ; *d.* an infant.

### III. GEORGE KER (*c.* 1674—before 1724).

George Ker, *b.* about 1674 ; *m.* before 1710, Agnes Anderson (*d.* about 1745) ; *d.* before 1724. He was a Farmer at Drumnahive Kildrummy. Their family consisted of:—

1. JEAN, *b.* 8th Jan., 1710 ; *m.* about 1740, John Chalmers, Wright, Aberdeen, of whom before (page 7) ; *d.* 23rd Aug., 1776.
2. Alexander, *b.* 17th Oct., 1711, and who was alive in 1724.
3. Margaret, *b.* 3rd July, 1713, and who was alive in 1745.

About 1724, Mrs. George Ker was married to Robert Lumsden, Drumnahive, Kildrummy, and seems to have died about 1745. On 27th June, 1745, Faculty was granted in Aberdeen Sheriff Court to John Chalmers to uplift Margaret's bairn's gear from Robert Lumsden, whose last spouse was "Ann Adamson"—should read "Agnes Anderson."

### IV. JEAN KER or CHALMERS (1710-1776).

### V. WILLIAM CHALMERS (1746-1792).

### VI. SAMUEL CHALMERS (1770-1819).

### VII. ALEXANDER WALLACE CHALMERS (1801-1862).

### VIII. CHRISTIAN CHALMERS or SMITH (1826-1876).

### IX. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH.

## THE FAMILY OF KINNEAR

(GLAMIS, *c.* 1665— ).

### I. JOHN KINNEAR (*c.* 1665—after 1697).

John Kinnear, *b.* about 1665 ; *m.* before 1689 ; *d.* after 1697. He was a Farmer in Hatton of the Glen, Glamis, Forfarshire. His family consisted of:—

1. Margaret, *b.* 24th April, 1689 ; *m.* 14th Aug., 1713, John Dewchar.
2. John, *b.* 2nd Nov., 1690 ; 3. David, *b.* 24th Feb., 1693.
4. James, *b.* 30th Sept., 1694.
5. ISOBELL, *b.* 14th Dec., 1697, of whom hereafter.

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### II. ISOBELL KINNAR (1697—after 1736).

Isobell Kinnear, *b.* 14th Dec., 1697; *m.* 2nd June, 1725, John Spalding (*b.* 1699; *d.* 10th May, 1768), Wright, Gallowfauld, Inverarity, Forfarshire. Their family consisted of:—

1. Janet, *b.* 25th March, 1726; 2. John, *b.* 26th Dec., 1727.
3. Ann, *b.* 20th July, 1730; *m.* 20th Aug., 1765, Andrew Cook.
4. Alexander, *b.* 26th April, 1732.
5. JAMES, *b.* 28th Nov., 1736; *m.* 19th Aug., 1762, Jean Ormond (*b.* about 1736; *d.* after 1778); *d.* after 1778, of whom hereafter.

### III. JAMES SPALDING (1736—after 1778).

### IV. JAMES SPALDING (1766–1851).

### V. MARY SPALDING or SMITH (1806–1882).

### VI. JAMES SMITH (1826–1863).

### VII. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH.

## THE FAMILY OF MILNE

(NEW DEER, *c.* 1660— ).

### I. GEORGE MILNE (*c.* 1660–1695).

George Milne, *b.* about 1660; *m.* about 1683, Margaret Ross (*b.* about 1660; *d.* after 1700), of whom hereafter; *d.* 26th Nov. 1695, and buried at New Deer. He was a Farmer in Rottencairns, New Deer. Their family consisted of:—

1. George, *b.* 16th Aug., 1684; 2. William, *b.* 18th Feb., 1688.
3. Elspet, *b.* 30th March, 1690; 4. Janet, *b.* 21st March, 1691.
5. ISOBELL, *b.* 1st April, 1692; *m.* about 1725, Alexander Wallace (*b.* 16th March, 1690; *d.* after 1749), Farmer in Whytstones, New Deer; *d.* after 1749, of whom hereafter.

### II. ISOBELL MILNE or WALLACE (1692—after 1749).

Isobell Milne, *b.* 1st April, 1692; *m.* about 1725, Alexander Wallace, Farmer, Whytstones, New Deer, of whom hereafter; *d.* after 1749.

“1st April, 1692. George Milln in Rottencairns had a daughter brought forth be Margaret Ross, his wife, and was baptised upon the 5th day of April, named ISOBELL. Isobell Ross in tyrrie parish and

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Isobell Milln in Ellon; John Bruce at the New Milne and William Bannerman at Mill of Cairnbanno witnesses." (*New Deer Register*).

III. JOHN WALLACE (1749-1813).

IV. ELSPET WALLACE or CHALMERS (1777-1853).

V. ALEXANDER WALLACE CHALMERS (1801-1862).

VI. CHRISTIAN CHALMERS or SMITH (1826-1876).

VII. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH.

## THE FAMILY OF ORMOND

(INVERARITY, *c.* 1736- ),

I. JEAN ORMOND (*c.* 1736—after 1778).

Jean Ormond, *b.* about 1736; *m.* 19th Aug., 1762, James Spalding (*b.* 28th Nov., 1736; *d.* after 1778), Farmer, Gallowfauld, Inverarity; *d.* after 1778. Their family consisted of:—

1. Agnes, *b.* 3rd Aug., 1762; 2. Isobel, *b.* 17th Aug., 1764.

3. JAMES, *b.* 28th Oct., 1766; *m.* 1st June, 1790, Maria Lyon Ross (*b.* 22nd Sept., 1771; *d.* 24th Jan., 1855), daughter of James Ross, Farmer, Balnamoon, Glamis; *d.* 14th Aug., 1851, of whom hereafter.

II. JAMES SPALDING (1766-1851).

III. MARY SPALDING or SMITH (1806-1882).

IV. JAMES SMITH (1826-1863).

V. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH.

## THE FAMILY OF ROSS

(ABERDEEN, *c.* 1665- ).

I. JAMES ROSS (*c.* 1665—after 1690).

James Ross, *b.* about 1665; *m.* about 1689; *d.* after 1690. He was a Farmer in Aberdeen. His family consisted of:—

1. MARGARET, *b.* 1st Aug., 1690; *m.* 26th April, 1714, Robert Elmslie (*b.* 18th Nov., 1688; *d.* 21st Jan., 1764); *d.* after 1718, of whom before (page 17).

II. MARGARET ROSS or ELMSLIE (1690—after 1718).

III. ELIZABETH ELMSLIE or THOMSON (1717-1788).

IV. ELSPET THOMSON or WALLACE (1750-1784).

V. ELSPET WALLACE or CHALMERS (1777-1853).



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- VI. ALEXANDER WALLACE CHALMERS (1801-1862).
- VII. CHRISTIAN CHALMERS or SMITH (1826-1876).
- VIII. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH.

### THE FAMILY OF ROSS (GLAMIS, *c.* 1745- ).

#### I. JAMES ROSS (*c.* 1745—after 1771).

James Ross, *b.* about 1745; *m.* before 1769; *d.* after 1771. He was a Farmer in Balnamoon, Glamis. His family consisted of:—

- 1. David, *b.* 7th Nov., 1769.
- 2. MARIA LYON, *b.* 22nd Sept., 1771; *m.* 1st June, 1790, James Spalding (*b.* 28th Oct., 1766; *d.* 14th Aug., 1851), Ironfounder, Inverarity; *d.* 24th Jan., 1855, of whom hereafter.

#### II. MARIA LYON ROSS or SPALDING (1771-1855).

#### III. MARY SPALDING or SMITH (1806-1882).

#### IV. JAMES SMITH (1826-1863).

#### V. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH.

### THE FAMILY OF ROSS (NEW DEER, *c.* 1660- ).

#### I. MARGARET ROSS (*c.* 1660—after 1700).

Margaret Ross, *b.* about 1660; *m.* about 1683, George Milne (*b.* about 1660; *d.* 26th Nov., 1695), Farmer in Rottencairns, New Deer; *d.* after 1700. Their family consisted of:—

- 1. George, *b.* 16th Aug., 1684; 2. William, *b.* 18th Feb., 1688.
- 3. Elspet, *b.* 30th March, 1690; 4. Janet, *b.* 21st March, 1691.
- 5. ISOBELL, *b.* 1st April, 1692; *m.* about 1725, Alexander Wallace (*b.* 16th March, 1690; *d.* after 1749), Farmer, Whytstones, New Deer, of whom hereafter; *d.* after 1749.

#### II. ISOBELL ROSS or WALLACE (1692--after 1749).

#### III. JOHN WALLACE (1749-1813).

#### IV. ELSPET WALLACE or CHALMERS (1777-1853).

#### V. ALEXANDER WALLACE CHALMERS (1801-1862).

#### VI. CHRISTIAN CHALMERS or SMITH (1826-1876).

#### VII. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH.

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### THE FAMILY OF SMITH (BELHELVIE, *c.* 1590— ).

#### I. THOMAS SMITH (*c.* 1590—after 1615).

Thomas Smith, *b.* about 1590; *m.* about 1613; *d.* after 1615. He was a Farmer at Laingseat, Belhelvie, Aberdeenshire. His family consisted of:—

1. JAMES, *b.* about 1615, of whom hereafter.

#### II. JAMES SMITH (*c.* 1615—after 1640).

James Smith, *b.* about 1615; *m.* 12th March, 1637, Marjorie Mill (*d.* after 1640), daughter of Thomas Mill, Farmer at Leuchlands, Belhelvie; *d.* after 1640. He was a Farmer at Laingseat, Belhelvie.

“March 12, 1637. Quhilk day in presence of Master David Lindsay, Parsone of Belhelvie, compeared James Smith, sonne lawful to Thomas Smith in Laingseat, and was contracted in marriage with Marjorie Mill, daughter to Thomas Mill sometime in Leuchlands, and they both obliged themselves to accomplish their marriage within 40 days after proclamation of their bands no impediment being found, and in the meantime to abstain from carnal dealings and not to have a penny bridell under the pain of ten pounds. Thomas Smith cautioner for the man, and Patrick Mill cautioner for the woman.” (*Belhelvie Register*). Their family consisted of:—

1. JOHN, *b.* about 1640, of whom hereafter.

#### III. JOHN SMITH (*c.* 1640-1717).

John Smith, *b.* about 1640; *m.* about 1670; *d.* 24th Oct., 1717. He was a Farmer at Laingseat, Belhelvie. His family consisted of:—

1. ALEXANDER, *b.* about 1675, of whom hereafter.

#### IV. ALEXANDER SMITH (*c.* 1675-1735).

Alexander Smith, *b.* about 1675; *m.* before 1696; *d.* 4th Oct., 1735. He was a Farmer at Laingseat, Belhelvie. In the Poll-Book of 1696, the general poll on the estate of the Earl of Panmure of himself and wife is given at 12s. His family consisted of:—

1. George, *b.* 25th Jan., 1702; 2. Margaret, *b.* 27th Feb., 1707.
3. WILLIAM, *b.* 19th June, 1709, of whom hereafter.
4. Jean, *b.* 14th June, 1712.





MARY SMITH  
(1824-1894)  
Mrs. James Hobb Hay



JAMES SMITH  
(1826-1863)



JEAN THOMSON SMITH  
(1835-1899)  
Mrs. Alexander Walker



LEWIS SMITH  
(1804-1880)



MRS. MARY SPALDING OR SMITH  
(1806-1882)



ELIZABETH SMITH  
(1841-1883)



JOHN RAE SMITH  
(1827-1905)



JANET SMITH  
Mrs. Gray or Cowie

FOUR DAUGHTERS AND TWO SONS OF LEWIS SMITH



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### V. WILLIAM SMITH (1709-1750).

William Smith, *b.* 19th June, 1709; *m.* 20th July, 1738, Elizabeth Ferguson (*d.* after 1750); *d.* 8th June, 1750. He was a Farmer at Laingseat, Belhelvie. Their family consisted of:—

1. William, *b.* 30th Sept., 1739; *d.* an infant.
2. Elizabeth, *b.* 5th April, 1741.
3. ALEXANDER, *b.* 8th May, 1743, of whom hereafter.
4. John, *b.* 12th May, 1745; 5. Barbara, *b.* 20th Dec., 1747.
6. William, *b.* 5th Aug., 1750. "The said day Elizabeth Ferguson in Laingseat, her husband being dead, had a son baptised called William. George Smith in Drumhead, brother to the deceased William Smith, became sponsor." (*Belhelvie Register*).

### VI. ALEXANDER SMITH (1743-1773).

Alexander Smith, *b.* 8th May, 1743; *m.* 26th Aug., 1764, Elspet Muire, Foveran (*b.* about 1742; *d.* after 1770); *d.* 28th Oct., 1773. He was a Farmer at Leyton, Belhelvie, on the estate of Menie. Their family consisted of:—

1. JAMES, *b.* 4th Nov., 1766, of whom hereafter.
2. William *b.* 17th Sept., 1768; *d.* 9th Feb., 1809.
3. Margaret, *b.* 6th June, 1770; *d.* 2nd June, 1773.

### VII. JAMES SMITH (1766-1808).

James Smith, *b.* 4th Nov., 1766; *m.* 14th May, 1803, Janet Grant (*b.* 15th June, 1769; *d.* 19th Nov., 1854), elder daughter of William Grant, Farmer, Mickle Tillylair, Aboyne, of whom before; *d.* 7th May, 1808, and was buried at Belhelvie. He was a Tailor and Clothier at Newburgh, and at Bridge of Don. Their family consisted of:—

1. LEWIS, *b.* 18th April, 1804, of whom hereafter.
2. James, *b.* 30th March, 1806, and baptised at Bridge of Don by the Rev. James Templeton, M.A., Minister of the Anti-burgher Congregation in Aberdeen, before Alexander Smith, his grandfather, and George Sangster, witnesses; *d.* 28th March, 1807, and was buried at Belhelvie. After the death of her husband, Mrs. James Smith married, 22nd June, 1808, George Cruickshank (*b.* 27th Dec., 1762; *d.* 4th Aug., 1813), Wright, Aberdeen, and a native of Belhelvie, by

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whom she had no family, and whom she survived. He was buried at Belhelvie, and she was buried in Nellfield Cemetery, in the family grave bought there by her son, Lewis Smith.

### VIII. LEWIS SMITH (1804-1880).

Lewis Smith, *b.* 18th April, 1804, at Mill of Newburgh, Foveran, and baptised by the Rev. William Duff, M.A., Minister of Foveran; *m.* 6th Oct., 1823, within the upper room in the South Porch of St. Machar Cathedral, by the Rev. Dr. Skene Ogilvy, to Mary Spalding (*b.* 14th Nov., 1806; *d.* 2nd May, 1882), third daughter of James Spalding, Ironfounder, Grandholm, of whom hereafter; *d.* 24th Oct., 1880. He was apprenticed in his tenth year to Mr. David Wyllie, Bookseller and Stationer, Aberdeen, and in his eighteenth year he set up business on his own account at the shop adjoining the gate of Marischal College. His shop became the rendezvous of most of the eminent men of Aberdeen and the North, and he became intimate with the Proprietors, Clergy, Doctors, and Schoolmasters of the surrounding counties. Dr. John Hill Burton, Dr. Joseph Robertson, Dr. Kilgour, the Principals and Professors of King's and Marischal Colleges were among his patrons; and he published many local books and pamphlets.

Among the many works published by Lewis Smith, his eldest son

James and his youngest son Isaac—both of whom were at different times his partners—may be named the following:—

“The Aberdeen Censor” (1825); “The Deeside Guide” (1829); “The Aberdeen Magazine” (1831); “Jamie Fleeman” (1835); “Dunnottar Castle” (1835); “The Book of Bon-Accord” (1839); “The Donside Guide” (1844); “Pratt’s Buchan” (1858); “Speyside” (1860); “The Aberdeen Saturday Post and Northern Counties Chronicle” (1861)—a newspaper which lived 15 weeks, published by James Smith, eldest son and partner of Lewis Smith; “Legends of the Braes O’ Mar” (1861); “The Druids” (1861); “Tamlane” and “John O’ Arnha’” (1862); “Peter Williamson” (1865); “Aberdeen Fifty Years Ago” (1869); “Shetland” (1871); “The Northern Psalter” (1872); “Helenore” (1874); “New History of Aberdeenshire,” 2 vols. (1875), Pocket Map of City of Aberdeen; Wall Map of Aberdeenshire; “Past and Present of Aberdeenshire” (1881); “Waifs of Rhyme” (1887); “Tourist Guide to the Athole and Breadalbane Highlands of Perthshire” (1890); “Benachie” (1890); “Strath-spey” (1902); “The Popular Dream Book” (1905).

Burgess of Guild, 23rd Jan., 1827. He bought the estate of Marybank, Maryculter, and built the mansion-house there. On 1st Nov., 1836, he entered the Town Council, being elected for the First Ward, and



LEWIS SMITH  
(1829-1909)



HENRY CONSTABLE SMITH  
(1831-1907)



GEORGE BOYD SMITH  
(1837-1876)



ALEXANDER PHILIP SMITH  
(1839-1901)



FREDERICK SMITH  
(1843-1906)



CHARLES SMITH  
(1847-1865)



ISAAC FORSYTH SMITH  
(1850-1902)

### SEVEN OF LEWIS SMITH'S SONS

(William Leith Smith, his fifth son, was born in 1833 and died in 1865)





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defeating Mr. Middleton Rettie, Jeweller. He took an active share in Municipal affairs (1836-77), and filled all the Council offices except the Lord Provostship, which he declined. Master of Guild Brethren's Hospital, 1837-8, and 1850-3; Master of Mortifications, 1838-9; Fourth Baillie, 1853-4; Second Baillie, 1854-5, and 1856-7; Third Baillie, 1855-6; First Baillie, 1857-8; Councillor, 7th Sept., to 1st Dec., 1868, in room of a Councillor resigned; Dean of Guild, 1871-3; Fifth Baillie, 1873-4; Treasurer, 1874-7. He was a Commissioner to the Convention of Royal Burghs, 1875-7. He interested himself in the educational and philanthropic work of the city, as well as in politics. An intimate friend of Mr. John Farley Leith, M.P., he did much to assist his return as a Liberal. His devotion to business was equalled only by his love for the city, whose prosperity and fame he did so much to advance. His portrait, an oil-painting, by Sir George Reid, late P.R.S.A., and presented to him by his fellow-citizens, hangs in the Council Chamber. At his death he was awarded a public funeral, attended by the Lord Provost and Magistrates and a great concourse of leading citizens, and was interred in the family grave in Nellfield Cemetery. Their family consisted of:—

- i. Mary, *b.* 4th Aug., 1824; *m.* 3rd Sept., 1846, James Hobb Hay (*b.* 1822; *d.* 2nd Nov. 1882), of the firm of J. & J. Hay, Carvers and Gilders to Her Majesty Queen Victoria; *d.* 8th Dec., 1894. Their family consisted of:—

- (1) Mary Ann, *m.* 10th Sept., 1863, George Miller Robertson (*b.* 9th Nov., 1842), son of Samuel Robertson, Currie, near Edinburgh, and now a Contractor in Melbourne. Their family consists of:—

- i. Samuel Lewis, Architect, London, who is married to Annie Austey, of Lincoln. They have a family of Angus and Marie.
- ii. George, Merchant, Perth, Western Australia, who is married to Minnie Wardle, of New York. They have a family of Evelyn.
- iii. Mary Smith, *m.* 24th July, 1895, Andrew Gordon, Solicitor, Edinburgh, son of Alexander Gordon, Farmer, Oldtown, Roseisle, Duffus, and Jane

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- Brown, daughter of William Brown, Burghead, Morayshire. He is Quarter-Master and Hon. Captain in the 9th Battalion The Royal Scots (Lothian Regiment). Their family consists of:—
- (i.) William Finlay, *b.* 15th July, 1896.
  - (ii.) Stanley Alexander, *b.* 9th Feb., 1903.
  - (iii.) Hilda Mary.
- iv. Elizabeth Laura, *m.* Clarence Cole, Banker, Melbourne. They have a family of James (*d.* an infant), Basil and George.
- v. Annie Mitchell.
- vi. Henry Hay, *b.* 22nd March, 1878, Accountant, Western Australia. He is married, and has three children.
- vii. Stanley Gladstone, who is an Ironmonger.
- (2) Elizabeth Brodie, *b.* 27th July, 1849; *m.* 3rd June, 1870, Charles Walker, Merchant, Aberdeen, a younger brother of Lord Provost James Walker, D.L., of Richmondhill, Aberdeen; *d.* 11th Oct., 1899. Their family consisted of:—
- i. Mary Hay, *m.* Joseph Coutts, retired Banker, Kaim Park, Bathgate. Their family consists of:—
  - (i.) Mary.
- Mrs. Charles Walker married, as her second husband, Angus Macdonald, Merchant, Trinity, Edinburgh.
- (3) Henry Smith, *b.* 26th March, 1857; *m.* Cecilia Grapes, London. He is a Slate Merchant in London. Their family consists of:—
- i. Dorothy; ii. Raymond; iii. Brodie.
- (4) Helen, *m.* Edward Charles Symons, of Chat Moss, Bexhill-on-Sea, Sussex. He has a Boarding House there.
- (5) Janet, *m.* Clement Green, Mill Overseer, Snowtown, Kapunda, South Australia.
2. JAMES, *b.* 15th Jan., 1826, of whom hereafter.
3. John Rae, *b.* 14th Nov., 1827; *m.* 23rd Aug., 1855, Isabella Fiddes (*b.* 1834; *d.* 8th Sept., 1897), eldest daughter of William Fiddes, M.D., Overhill, Belhelvie, and Elspet Barbara





*Painted by Sir George Reid, P.R.S.A*

JEAN THOMSON SMITH  
(Mrs. Alexander Walker)

Born at Aberdeen, 17th March, 1835  
Died at Aberdeen, 17th February, 1899



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- Mitchell, and niece of David Mitchell, Advocate, Aberdeen ; *d.* 28th Aug., 1905. He was a Bookseller and Stationer in Aberdeen. Burgess of Guild, 2nd Nov., 1868. Their family consisted of :—(1) Isabella. (2) Maria Mitchell, *d.* 3rd Jan., 1904, aged 46 years. (3) Jane Elsy. (4) William Fiddes ; he is a Stationer in Aberdeen. (5) John Rae ; he is a Stationer in Aberdeen. (6) Eleanor. (7) Lewis, *d.* 28th May, 1866, aged 3 months. (8) Francis George ; he is an Insurance Clerk. (9) Jessie Fiddes, *d.* 6th Aug., 1868, aged 7 days. (10) Edward ; he is an Accountant in Middlesborough, Yorkshire. (11) Norman, *d.* 3rd Sept., 1873, aged 15 months. (12) Richard ; he is a Bookseller in Aberdeen. (13) Walter, *d.* 25th July, 1877, aged 3 months. (14) Alfred, *d.* 12th Aug., 1879, aged 11 weeks.
4. Lewis, *b.* 3rd Sept., 1829 ; *d.* 8th Dec., 1909. He was a Bookseller in Aberdeen, but was in weak health from his eighteenth year to his death.
  5. Henry Constable, *b.* 23rd May, 1831 ; *m.* Eliza Denbigh, daughter of Alexander John Denbigh, Merchant, London ; *d.* 28th May, 1907. He was a Linen Merchant in London. Burgess of Guild, 2nd May, 1875. Their family consisted of :—(1) Clara Mary. (2) Henry Vagliano ; he is a Linen Merchant in London, was married to a Miss Sayers (now dead), of London, and has one daughter. (3) Eliza Fernie. (4) Kathleen Agnes Denbigh. (5) Julia Rowlett. (6) Lewis Valentine. He is married, and has two children. He went out to Vladivostock, Siberia, where he is engaged in the Tea Trade with his uncle, Mr. Denbigh. (7) Margaret, who is dead.
  6. William Leith, *b.* 1st April, 1833, and baptised by, as well as named after, the Rev. William Leith, M.A., Minister of the South Parish (1825-32) ; *d.* 8th Dec., 1865. He was a Merchant in Aberdeen.
  7. Jean Thomson, *b.* 17th March, 1835 ; *m.* 28th Aug., 1861, Alexander Walker (*b.* 3rd April, 1825 ; *d.* 10th Feb., 1903), Merchant in Aberdeen ; *d.* 17th Feb., 1899.

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Alexander Walker was the second son of William Walker, Wine and Tea Merchant, Aberdeen. A pupil of Aberdeen Grammar School, under the famous Rector, Dr. James Melvin. Burgess of Guild, 3rd Jan., 1854. Dean of Guild, 4th Nov., 1873, to 2nd Nov., 1880, succeeding Lewis Smith, his father-in-law. F.S.A. Scot., 1874. LL.D., Aberdeen University, 1895. Elder, West Parish Church, 1869. An intimate friend of Sir George Reid, late P.R.S.A., and one of his earliest patrons. A lover of Art, Literature, Education, and Philanthropy, and a devoted citizen. His portrait, drawn at a single sitting by the famous Legros, hangs in Aberdeen Art Gallery. In politics, an enthusiastic Unionist. Among the numerous institutions he served were Aberdeen Public Library, Mechanics' Institute (President), Robert Gordon's College, Savings' Bank, Educational Trust and School of Domestic Economy (Chairman, 1891-1903), Aberdeen Royal Infirmary (1877-94), Royal Asylum (Chairman, 1890-94), Soup Kitchen, United Coal Fund, Sick Man's Friend Society, Pauper Lunatic Fund, Aberdeen Dispensary, Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, Aberdeen School Board (1876-82), St. Nicholas Parochial Board, and many other minor benevolent agencies. Altogether, he was one of the best citizens Aberdeen has ever had. His last public appearance was on 26th June, 1902, when he laid the Memorial Stone of the new Parish Buildings at St. George's-in-the-West Parish Church, of which he was the Senior Trustee, and sole-surviving original Trustee, and of which his nephew, Rev. James Smith, is the First Minister.

Dr. Walker wielded a facile and graphic pen, and was a voluminous contributor to the press. He wrote on many topics, conveying in a style all his own what he had to say. As a lecturer to local societies he was greatly esteemed. No man ever had a warmer heart nor a more generous hand. Among his chief literary productions are the following :—

“The Selected Writings of John Ramsay” (1871); “How we Manage at Our Board” (1872); “Sum Notabil Things Aboot Abirdene Hospitales” (1873);

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"List of the Deans of Guild of Aberdeen, 1436-1875" (1875); "Robert Gordon, 1665-1731" (1876); "The Paroch Kirk of St. Nicholas, 1860-76" (1876); "Ten days out of harness" (1878); "In Memoriam: Lewis Smith" (1880); Selections from the Writings of William Forsyth" (1882); On some Church Relics shown at the Seabury Centenary Meeting" (1884); "Disblair, 1634-1884" (1884); "History of the Workhouse or Poors' Hospital of Aberdeen" (1885); "On a Bronze Pot" (1886); "Robert Gordon, 1665-1731, and his Hospital, 1732-1882, and College, 1882" (1886); "Mary Queen of Scots" (1887); "The Templar Knights" (1887); "John Craig, 1512-1600" (1889); "Address to Ancient Order of Shepherds" (1890); "Aberdeen and its Famous Printers" (1890); "The Aberdeen Educational Trust" (1891); "Peer Men, or The Light of Other Days" (1891); "The Aberdeen Soup Kitchen, 1800-92" (1892); "The Commonalty of Perwinnes" (1893); "Thoughts on Theine" (1893); "Our Current Coins" (1895); "Aberdeen Educational Trust: What is it?" (1896); "The Tapestries of the Church of St. Nicholas" (1897); "Robert Gordon, 1665-1731, and his Hospital, 1750-1876" (1897); "From the Mither Kirk" (1898); "Mrs. Emslie and her Female Orphan Asylum" (1898); and "Some Facts about the Estate and Castle of Muchalls" (1902).

He was interred in Allenvale Cemetery amid tokens of widespread regret and respect, his obsequies being attended by a great assemblage of his fellow-citizens and friends.

Dr. Walker's services to the city of his birth will not soon be forgotten. On every enterprise with which he was associated, whether literary, artistic, benevolent, political or commercial, he left his mark; and there are not a few persons to be found in the city and elsewhere, who owe much of their success in life to his words of kindly encouragement and to his deeds of generous assistance.

Their family consisted of:—

- (1) Mary Spalding. She is Principal of Roan School for Girls, Greenwich. (2) A son.
- (3) Alexander, *b.* 6th April, 1867; *m.* 1st July, 1896, Minnie Mackenzie, eldest daughter of James Mackenzie, Merchant in Aberdeen. He is a Merchant in Aberdeen. Burgess of Guild, 7th Oct., 1895. Their family consists of:—
  - i. Elizabeth Martin.
  - ii. Alexander William, *b.* 1st Dec., 1898.
  - iii. Jean Thomson.

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- (4) Jane Smith. (5) George Robert, *b.* 29th Dec., 1873.
8. George Boyd, *b.* 23rd Feb., 1837 ; *d.* 9th June, 1876. He was a Merchant.
9. Alexander Philip, *b.* 3rd June, 1839 ; *m.* 4th Nov., 1871, Lucy Dudley Rowlett (*b.* 13th Nov., 1845 ; *d.* 7th Sept., 1886), elder daughter of William Rowlett, of London ; *d.* 20th March, 1901. He was in the Head Office of the Bank of England, Threadneedle Street, London. Their family consisted of :—
- (1) Sydney Hastings, *b.* 1st Aug., 1872 ; *m.* 14th March, 1901, Antoinette Mary Hames, eldest daughter of Charles William Hames, Tailor, Clapham, London. He is a Clerk in the Head Office of the Bank of England, London, and resides at Wimbledon.
- (2) Alexander Philip, *b.* 11th Jan., 1877. He is a Merchant in London.
10. Elizabeth, *b.* 7th March, 1841 ; *d.* 13th Dec., 1883.
11. Frederick, *b.* 30th May, 1843 ; *d.* 27th Dec., 1906. He was a Bookseller, but was in weak health the most of his life.
12. Janet, *m.* (1st) 14th July, 1864, George Henry Gray (*b.* 1833 ; *d.* 7th April, 1867), Iron Merchant in Aberdeen, and nephew of Lord Provost Henry. They had no family. She married (2nd) 25th Nov., 1869, Robert Cowie, M.A., M.D., of Lerwick (*b.* 1st Feb., 1842 ; *d.* 1st May, 1874), author of "A Guide to Shetland," and son of Dr. John Cowie (*b.* 1813 ; *d.* 26th Aug., 1866), also a well-known Medical Practitioner in Lerwick. Their family consisted of :—
- (1) Mary Spalding, *m.* 31st March, 1897, John Westwick Christie, Captain in the Merchant Service, Bristol, a son of James Christie, Commission Agent, Liverpool, and a relation of the Very Rev. Dr. William Walker, late Dean of Aberdeen and Orkney. Their family consists of :—
- i. Janet Smith. ii Elizabeth Mary.
- iii. John Westwick, *b.* 11th June, 1902.







JAMES SMITH

Born at Aberdeen, 15th January, 1826

Died at Aberdeen, 10th July, 1863

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iv. Robert Cowie, *b.* 18th April, 1904; *d.* 20th April, 1906.

v. James Maclaren, *b.* 29th May, 1907.

(2) Margaret Heddell Gray.

(3) Elizabeth Smith, *d.* 12th July, 1874; and (4) Roberta—twin.

13. Charles, *b.* 5th July, 1847; *d.* 23rd April, 1865, of phthisis, at Aberdeen. He was a Bookseller in his father's warehouse.

14. Isaac Forsyth, *b.* 2nd Feb., 1850: *m.* (1st) 4th June, 1879, Jane Dickson (*b.* 4th June, 1853; *d.* 9th June, 1894), only daughter of John Dickson, Merchant, Edinburgh. He was a Wholesale Bookseller and Stationer in Aberdeen (Lewis Smith & Son), and resided at Heathcot, near Aberdeen. Burgess of Guild, 2nd Aug., 1875. Their family consisted of:—

(1) Lewis, *b.* 4th Nov., 1880; *m.* 29th Jan., 1907, by his cousin, the Rev. James Smith, B.D., Minister of St. George's-in-the-West Parish, of St. Nicholas, Aberdeen, to Jessie Stephen Greig, fourth daughter of Charles Greig, Tobacconist, Aberdeen. He is a Wholesale Bookseller and Stationer in Aberdeen, and a Lieutenant in the City of Aberdeen (Fortress) Royal Engineers. Their family consists of:—

i. Margaret Evelyn, baptised by Rev. James Smith.

ii. Jane, baptised by Rev. James Smith.

(2) Margaret Ethel, *m.* 20th April, 1910, George Fraser, Engineer, Colombo, Ceylon. Their family consists of:—

i. Margaret Ethel.

(3) Jane Dickson; and (4) Mary Eveline.

After the death of his first wife, Isaac Forsyth Smith married (2nd) 11th Aug., 1897, Petrina Stewart Currie (*b.* 1863; *d.* 8th Sept., 1906), second daughter of Andrew Currie, of Glassmount, Fife.

## IX. JAMES SMITH (1826-1863).

James, *b.* 15th Jan., 1826; *m.* 9th Aug., 1849, in Bridewell, Aberdeen, by Rev. James Bryce, D.D., Gilcomston Free Church, to Christian Chalmers (*b.* 7th Aug., 1826; *d.* 20th May, 1876), elder daughter of Alexander Wallace Chalmers, Governor of Aberdeen Prisons, of whom before; *d.* 10th July, 1863, and interred in Nellfield Cemetery.

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"25th January, 1826. Lewis Smith, Bookseller, and his spouse Mary Spalding had a son born named JAMES, baptized by the Rev. Mr. Stirling, in presence of James and William Spalding." (*A.R.*)

"August 7, 1826. Alexander Wallace Chalmers, Governor of Bridewell, and his spouse Mary Jamson, had a daughter born named CHRISTIAN, baptized by the Rev. Dr. Kidd. Witness, Richard Jamson, late Shipmaster in Aberdeen, and William Chalmers, Clerk of Police, Aberdeen." (*O.R.*)

"July 29, 1849. Mr. James Smith, Bookseller, residing in Belmont Street, Aberdeen, Parish of St. Nicholas, and Miss Christian Chalmers, eldest daughter of Alexander Wallace Chalmers, Esq., Rose Street, in this parish, signified their purpose of marriage by Mr. Alexander Stables, Elder, and being thrice proclaimed they were married on the 9th of August, 1849, by the Rev. James Bryce, Minister of the Free Church, Gilcomston." (*O.R.*)

He was a Wholesale Bookseller and Stationer in Aberdeen, and was a partner of the firm of Lewis and James Smith, 1852-1863. He was reputed to be one of the finest violinists Aberdeen ever produced, and was an intimate friend of many musicians. Burgess of Guild, 3rd Jan., 1854. He was a remarkably elegant penman, and was also possessed of a ready wit. Their family consisted of nine children.

### X. THE FAMILY OF JAMES SMITH.

The family of James Smith and Christian Chalmers consisted of:—

1. MARY CHALMERS, *b.* 24th Dec., 1850, and baptised by the Rev. Simon McIntosh, D.D., Minister of the East Parish of St. Nicholas, Aberdeen. She was a Governess in London and Brighton, and was one of the first to pass in 1874 the Cambridge University Examination for Women. She also gained the Certificate of the London School of Art for Freehand and Model Drawing. She became an invalid in 1879.
2. Christian, *b.* 23rd Oct., 1852, and baptised by the Rev. Simon McIntosh, D.D.; *d.* 12th Oct., 1872, of phthisis.
3. Alice, *b.* 2nd July, 1854, and baptised by the Rev. William Ogilvie, M.A., of the East Parish, afterwards of Fintray *d.* 23rd Aug., 1855.





MARY CHALMERS SMITH



CHRISTIAN SMITH  
(1852-1872)



MRS. JAMES SMITH  
(1826-76)  
Christian Chalmers



ELIZABETH SMITH  
(1857-1875)



ALICE SMITH

MRS. JAMES SMITH AND FOUR OF HER DAUGHTERS



#### SMITH

4. **JAMES**, *b.* 27th Nov., 1855, and baptised during a vacancy in the East Parish, by the Rev. James Fraser, D.D., of St. Clement's Parish, Aberdeen. Educated at Michie's (Silver Street) Academy, Aberdeen, and at Smith's Academy, Fordyce (1863-70), under the Rev. James Lague, M.A., Rector of that famous School, 1845-82. Liddell Bursar, Aberdeen University, 1870. M.A., 1874. B.D., 1877. Licensed 2nd May, 1877, by Aberdeen Presbytery. Tutor in the family of John Paton Watson, of Blackford, Aberdeenshire; to H. W. Knight-Erskine, of Pittodrie; and to Duncan Vernon Pirie at Scotstown, now M.P. for North Aberdeen. Assistant, University Library, 1876-8. Assistant, West Parish of St. Nicholas, Aberdeen, 4th Nov., 1877, to 5th Jan., 1879. Ordained and Inducted 20th Feb., 1879, First Minister of St. George's-in-the-West Parish, the northern half of the West Parish, disjoined and erected into a separate charge. Interim Chaplain, Aberdeen Prison, February to September, 1879. Gazetted, 7th June, 1889, First Commissioned Chaplain of the Volunteer Medical Staff Corps, and posted to the 7th Division, in connection with the Medical Faculty, Aberdeen University. Promoted 11th Oct., 1909, First-Class Chaplain, ranking as Colonel, and awarded the Territorial Officers Decoration. Chairman of Class Re-Union Committee, and Joint-Editor of the Class Record, 1870-74. Member of Council and Executive Committee, New Spalding Club, Aberdeen Musical Festival, and of Business Committee, Aberdeen University General Council. Visited Palestine, Egypt, and Italy, 1893-4. Lecturer in Scotland for Palestine Exploration Fund (and Local Hon. Secretary), and for Egypt Exploration Fund. Presented to King George V. at Holyrood, 18th July, 1911, by the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief in Scotland, Lieut.-General Sir Bruce Hamilton, K.C.B., K.C.V.O., on transfer to Territorial Force as Chaplain of 1st and 2nd Highland Field Ambulances and 1st Scottish General Hospital. Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, London, and of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland. Member of Aberdeen School Board,

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from 1903. Convener of High Schools Committee (Aberdeen Grammar School and Aberdeen High School for Girls), 1903-11, and of Administration Committee, 1911. Member of Burgh Committee on Secondary Education, from 1903, and of Provincial Committee on the Training of Teachers, from 1905. Lecturer on Religious Knowledge, Aberdeen Training College, from 1908. Director of Aberdeen Royal Infirmary and Royal Lunatic Asylum, 1891, and of Aberdeen Dispensary, from 1894. Life Manager, Morningfield Hospital. Director of Aberdeen Victoria Lodging-House, and of Deaf and Dumb Benevolent Society. Chairman of Aberdeen Maternity Hospital, 1912. President, Christian Literature Society for China (Aberdeen Branch). Member of General Assembly Committees on Home Mission, Christian Life and Work, Psalmody and Hymns, Army and Navy Chaplains, Religious Instruction of the Young, Statistics, Correspondence with Foreign Churches, Education, Benefice Register, and Scott's Fasti Revision Committee (Joint-Editor for Northern Synods). Local Treasurer, Church Service Society. Member of Committee of Management, St. Andrew's Ambulance Association (Aberdeen Branch).

During his ministry a Congregation has been raised, numbering 1690 Communicants at the end of the year 1911; while the Sunday Schools contained 91 teachers and 805 children. An Organ and large Church Hall and Parish Buildings have been erected, and the Church decorated twice and lighted by electricity. The liberality of the Congregation from 1878 to 1911 amounts to £20,000. The Poor Fund consists of £550. Since the opening of the Church on 8th Sept., 1878, to the end of 1911, there have been admitted by Certificate 2204, and as Young Communicants 2375. The Baptisms number 3931, the Marriages 1232, and the Deaths 1866. Among the Church agencies are Guilds for Men, Women, and Children; Bible Classes, a Fellowship and a Mutual Improvement Association, a Ladies' Work Party and a Visiting Association, a Flower Guild, a Savings Bank, a Library, a Mothers' Meeting and a Girls' Industrial Class.



The following list contains his principal literary productions, apart from frequent contributions he has made to the Press:—

"St. George's-in-the-West Congregational Reports" (1882- ); "The Church and Amusements" (1887); "Christianity and Benevolent Patriotism" (1889); "The Story of the Medical Staff Corps" (1891); "The Book of St. George's-in-the-West" (1892); "A Pilgrimage to Palestine" (1895), *illus.*; "A Pilgrimage to Egypt" (1897), *illus.*; "A Pilgrimage to Italy" (1899), *illus.*; "The Signs of the Times" (1899); "Twenty-One Years' History of St. George's-in-the-West Parish" (1900), *illus.*; "In Memoriam: Queen Victoria" (1901); "Spiritual Independence: What is it?" (1904); "Twenty-five Years' History of St. George's-in-the-West Parish" (1904), *illus.*; "The Soul and Knowledge" (1906); "Against Cruelty to Dumb Animals" (1907); "Patriotism" (1908); "Faith in God" (1908); "In Memoriam: King Edward VII." (1910); "Christian Manliness," and "The Social Problem" (1912).

In the work of his parish he has been assisted by those whose names follow:—1882, Alexander Black, M.A., now Minister at Blackhill; 1883, James Black, M.A., at Inverurie; 1885, William Grant, B.D., at Drumblade; 1887, James Coutts, M.A., at (1) Ardallie, and (2) Wormit; 1890, Alexander Ross, B.D., at Pulteneytown; 1894, Peter Smith Bisset, B.D., at (1) Oyne, and (2) Craig; 1897, Daniel Dewar Macdonald, B.D., at Fairmuir, Dundee; 1900, Robert Maitland Souter, B.D., at Birsay; 1903, William Fraser, at (1) St. Stephen's, Inverness, and (2) Shurrery; 1904, Alexander Boyd, M.A., at South Uist; 1904, Robert Davidson, M.A., at Fisherton, Ayr; 1906, William Metcalfe, B.D.; 1908, William Duncan Frater, M.A., late of Maud; 1908, James Alexander Stephen, at Orphir; 1909, Angus Boyd, M.A., at Kilchoman; 1909, Francis Cantlie Donald, M.A., Assistant, Huntly; 1910, Alexander Bain Harper, B.D., Assistant, West Parish, Aberdeen; 1911, Henry Coulter, B.A., B.D., Assistant, Broughty-Ferry; and 1912, George Alexander Mackeggie, M.A.

5. Elizabeth, b. 25th April, 1857, and baptised by the Rev. John Marshall Lang, afterwards the Very Rev. J. Marshall Lang, C.V.O., LL.D., D.D., Principal of Aberdeen University,

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- (1900-9); *d.* 1st Dec., 1875, in London, of phthisis, and was buried in Highgate Cemetery, there. She was a Governess in Aberdeen and in Cologne, from which she came to London to die.
6. ALICE, *b.* 9th Feb., 1859, and baptised by the Rev. Robert Flint, M.A., LL.D., D.D., F.R.S.E., afterwards Professor of Moral Philosophy in St. Andrews University, and thereafter Professor of Divinity in Edinburgh University, one of the most voluminous and learned Divines the Church of Scotland has produced. She was a Governess in the family of Admiral Sir John D. Hay, Bart., General Brendon, Count Grafen von Garnier, of Turawa, Silesia, and of Sir Charles Shelley, Bart. (nephew of the poet), and also in London, Berlin, and Paris. She became an invalid in 1893. She is an accomplished Artist, Linguist, and Musician.
  7. A daughter, *b.* 23rd April, 1860; *d.* 24th April, 1860.
  8. Louisa, *b.* 17th July, 1861, and baptised by the Rev. Robert Flint; *d.* 18th August, 1866.
  9. Alexander Wallace, *b.* 9th March, 1863, and baptised by the Rev. Colin McCulloch, M.A., of the East Parish, and afterwards in Australia; *d.* 26th June, 1863.

The descendants of Lewis Smith number 103—of whom 10 are sons and 4 daughters; 20 grandsons and 30 grand-daughters; 11 great-grandsons and 15 great-grand-daughters; and 8 great-great-grandsons and 5 great great-grand-daughters.

Isaac Forsyth Smith (page 55), his youngest son, died at Heathcot, Aberdeen, 12th Jan., 1902, aged 52 years, and was interred in Allenvale Cemetery, Aberdeen. His second wife, Miss Currie, was a niece of the Rev. Bruce B. Begg, D.D., Minister of Abbotshall, Kirkcaldy, and of the Rev. John Wilson, D.D., Minister of Methven, 1850-1904, whose successor in that charge was the Rev. James Robertson, D.D., D.S.O., the distinguished Army Chaplain, and a former schoolfellow of the Rev. James Smith, B.D., of St. George's-in-the-West Parish, Aberdeen, at Fordyce, Banffshire.

Additional works published by Lewis Smith (page 48) were:—

“Sacred Harmony by James Morgan, Auchindoir” (1833); “Davie’s Music of the Church of Scotland” (1842); and “The People’s Tune-Book” (1844, &c.).

## SPALDING

### THE FAMILY OF SPALDING

(INVERARITY, 1674- ).

#### I. JOHN SPALDING (1674—c. 1730).

The family of John Spalding, who was probably born about 1674, and was a Wright, at Gallowfauld, Inverarity, Forfarshire, consisted of:—

1. JOHN, *b.* about 1699; *m.* 2nd June, 1725, Isobel Kinnear (*b.* 14th Dec., 1697); *d.* 10th May, 1768.
2. George, *b.* 20th April, 1718.

#### II. JOHN SPALDING (1699-1768).

John Spalding, Wright, Gallowfauld, Inverarity, *b.* about 1699; *m.* 2nd June, 1725, Isobel Kinnear (*b.* 14th Dec., 1697; *d.* after 1736); *d.* 10th May, 1768. The entries in the Register of Inverarity follow:—

"May, 2nd, 1725. John Spalding in this parish and Isobel Kinnear in Glamis, were contracted in order to marriage in that parish, and were this day proclaimed here for the first time."

"May 9th, 1725. John Spalding and Isobel Kinnear were proclaimed the second time."

"May 16th, 1725. John Spalding and Isobel Kinnear were proclaimed the third time."

"June 2, 1725. The said John Spalding and Isobel Kinnear were married."

The family born of this marriage is thus registered:—

1. "March 25th, 1726, Janet, daughter to John Spalding, Gallowfauld, was baptised."
2. "Dec. 26th, 1727, John, son to John Spalding, younger, was baptised."
3. "July 20th, 1730, Anne, daughter to John Spalding, was baptised."
4. "Aprile 28th, 1732, Alexander, son to John Spalding was baptised."
5. "Nov. 28th, 1736, JAMES, son to John Spalden, was baptised."

As regards Janet and Alexander, nothing is known. John was buried 13th Jan., 1752. On 30th Aug., 1765, Ann married Andrew Cook, and JAMES chose, 19th Aug., 1762, JEAN ORMOND for his bride.



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### III. JAMES SPALDING (1736-1780).

James Spalding, Wright, Gallowfauld, Inverarity, *b.* 28th Nov., 1736, and Jean Ormond, *b.* about 1736, were proclaimed 11th July, 18th July, and 1st Aug., 1762; and married on 19th August, 1762. They both died after 1778. They had a family of eight:—

1. Agnes, *b.* 3rd Aug., 1763.
2. Isobel, *b.* 17th Aug., 1764.
3. JAMES, *b.* 28th Oct., 1766, of whom hereafter.
4. Jean, *b.* 31st Dec., 1770.
5. William (wrongly called Andrew in the Register), *b.* 6th Sept., 1775; *m.* 17th Nov., 1799, Mary Ferguson (*b.* 24th April, 1769; *d.* 27th Jan., 1865, aged 96 years), daughter of John Ferguson, Blacksmith, Aberdeen; *d.* 23rd Jan., 1833.
6. Alexander, *b.* 30th Sept., 1778; and 7. Andrew, *b.* 30th Sept., 1778—twin.

### IV. JAMES SPALDING (1766-1851).

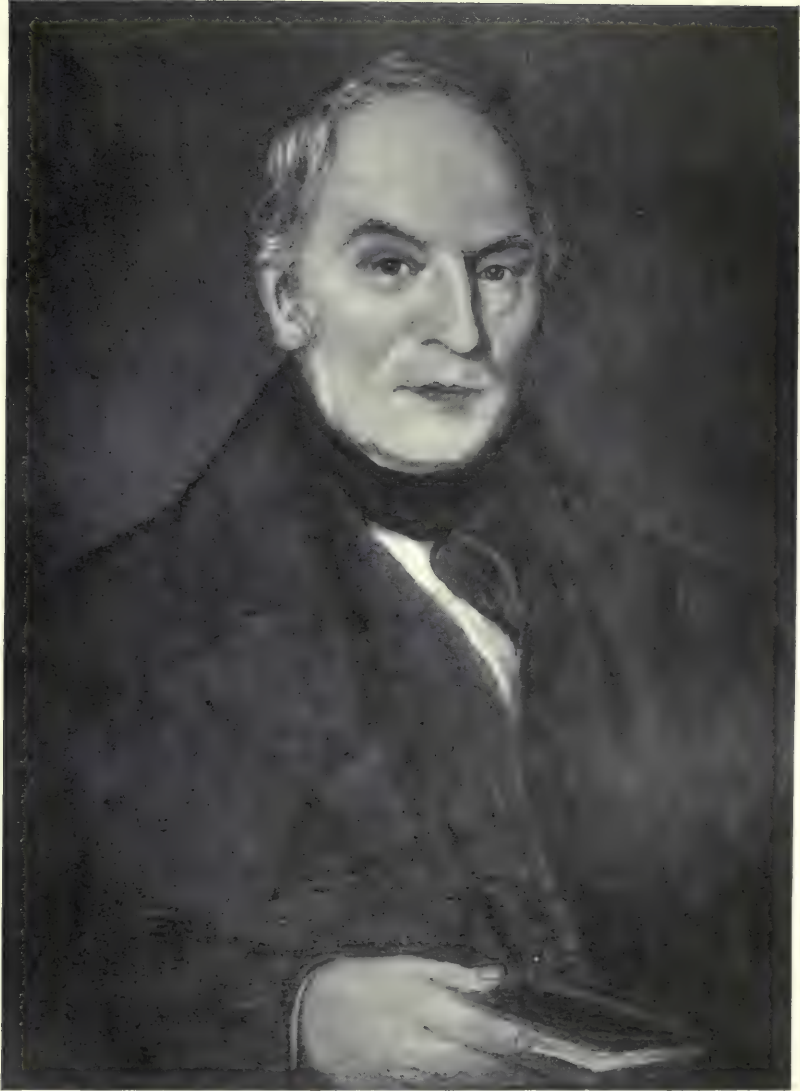
James Spalding, Wright, was born at Gallowfauld, 28th Oct., 1766. He seems to have removed early to Dundee, where, on 1st June, 1790, he married Maria Lyon Ross (*b.* 23rd Sept., 1771), of whom before.

"Contracted April 29, 1790, James Spalding, Wright, and Maria Lyon Ross, daughter of James Ross, both in this parish. Married 1st June." (*Dundee Register*).

He died 14th Aug., 1851, she on 24th Jan., 1855; and they were both buried in the family grave at the north-west side of the Churchyard, St. Machar Cathedral, Aberdeen. Their family consisted of:—

1. Jane, *b.* 25th Dec., 1791; *m.* 6th Sept., 1809, James Thomson, 94th Regiment of Foot; *d.* 14th Aug., 1864.
2. Anne, *b.* 2nd Oct., 1793; *d.* 7th Nov., 1874.
3. James, *b.* 8th Aug., 1795; *m.* 19th June, 1819, Margaret Lawson (*b.* 1798; *d.* 16th July, 1869); *d.* 26th Sept., 1866. He was an Ironfounder at Grandholm. Their family consisted of:—
  - (1) James, *b.* 2nd Oct., 1819; *m.* 1845, Barbara Findlay (*d.* 29th Jan., 1858); *d.* 9th Jan., 1886. He was long in Hong-Kong, as an Engineer. Their family consisted of:—





JAMES SPALDING

Born at Inverarity, 28th October, 1766

Died at Aberdeen, 14th August, 1851



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- i. James Findlay, *b.* 10th June, 1846; *d.* an infant.
- ii. Margaret Lawson, *b.* 15th May, 1848; *m.* 30th Nov., 1879, Mr. Morgan (*b.* 23rd July, 1855; *d.* 19th Feb., 1903).
- iii. Thomas Findlay, *b.* 10th July, 1850; *d.* 1864.
- iv. Barbara Marshall, *b.* 7th Feb., 1852; *m.* 23rd Nov., 1896, Mr. Taylor, a widower; *d.* 5th March, 1901.
- (2) Andrew, *b.* 24th Feb., 1821; *d.* 10th Oct., 1824.
- (3) Jane, *b.* 20th Aug., 1824; *m.* 1st May, 1846, George Dunbar (*b.* 1st March, 1825; *d.* 9th Sept. 1889); *d.* 16th May, 1904. Their family consisted of:—
  - i. George, *b.* 3rd May, 1846; *m.* 19th July, 1878, Isabella Craig, eldest sister of Thomas Craig, Music Publisher, Aberdeen. Their family consists of:—
    - (i.) Jane, and (ii.) James.
  - ii. Margaret, *b.* 9th Feb., 1850; *m.* 15th Sept., 1893, Edward Tait (*b.* 6th Oct., 1851), Printer, Aberdeen; *d.* 11th Dec., 1910. Their family consisted of:—
    - (i.) Edward George, *b.* 12th Sept., 1897.
  - iii. William, *b.* 12th June, 1853; *d.* 12th May, 1854.
  - iv. James, *b.* 2nd May, 1857. He is married to Mayme Marrington, in Vancouver, and has two of a family.
    - v. John Joss, *b.* 20th Dec., 1858; *d.* 7th June, 1860.
    - vi. Henry, *b.* 2nd Nov., 1861; *d.* 29th Oct., 1870.
    - vii. Andrew, *b.* 18th May, 1863; *d.* 15th May, 1864.
    - viii. Jeannie, *b.* 4th Feb., 1868; *d.* 26th Dec., 1883.
- (4) Margaret, *b.* 20th Sept., 1827; *d.* 25th March, 1900. She was long resident in Holland.
- (5) Maria Lyon Ross, *b.* 26th March, 1832; *m.* John Joss, and had four of a family; *d.* 22nd Jan., 1889.
- (6) Eleonora Ross, *b.* 8th May, 1835; *d.* June, 1869. She also lived in Holland, and was buried in Amblasserdam, near Dordrecht, Holland.

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- (7) Anne, *b.* 15th Jan., 1842; *m.* 1st July, 1870, Thomas Leask Mitchell, Contractor, Liverpool (*b.* 23rd Nov., 1841; *d.* 18th Nov., 1906); *d.* 8th Sept., 1906.
4. William, *b.* 15th May, 1797; *d.* 30th March, 1798.
5. John, *b.* 3rd Feb., 1799; *d.* 4th Jan., 1876.
6. Andrew, *b.* 12th May, 1801; *d.* 17th Dec., 1870.
7. Alexander, *b.* 8th Aug., 1803; *m.* (1st) on 21st April, 1828, Janet McDonald (*b.* 1809; *d.* 24th Nov., 1870), and *m.* (2nd) on 20th Dec., 1875, Robina Ingram (*b.* 1820; *d.* 29th Dec., 1898), widow of John Anderson, Peterhead; *d.* 26th Nov. 1889. He was an Ironfounder at Aberdeen and Peterhead. He had by Janet McDonald a family of:—
- (1) Andrew, *b.* 21st July, 1829. He was an Engineer at a Sugar Mill abroad.
- (2) Ann Murray, *b.* 6th May 1831; *d.* an infant.
- (3) Alexander, *d.* an infant.
8. MARY, *b.* 14th Nov., 1806; *m.* 6th Oct., 1823, Lewis Smith; *d.* 2nd May, 1882, of whom before (page 48).
9. William, *b.* 21st Oct., 1808; *d.* 27th Oct., 1810.
10. George, *b.* 24th Jan., 1812; *m.* 28th Dec., 1832, Helen Smith. He was an Overseer in Perth. They had a family of George, *b.* 13th Sept., 1840.
11. David, *b.* 19th Aug., 1815; *d.* 14th July, 1844.
- V. MARY SPALDING or SMITH (1806-1882).
- VI. JAMES SMITH (1826-1863).
- VII. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH.







HUGH GORDON THOMSON  
(1830-1910)  
Major-General, Madras Staff Corps



ALEXANDER DINGWALL THOMSON  
(1839-1872)  
Captain, 16th (Queen's) Lancers



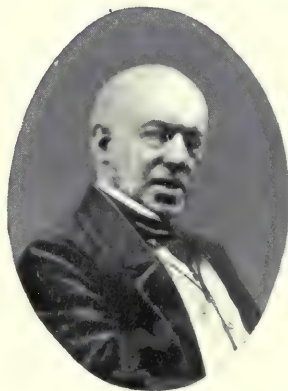
COLONEL GEORGE THOMSON, C.B., R.E.  
of Fairley  
(1799-1886)  
The Hero of Ghuznee



MRS. GEORGE THOMSON  
(1809-1900)  
Anna Dingwall



GENERAL SIR ALEXANDER TAYLOR  
G.C.B., R.E.  
(1826-1912)  
Hero of the Siege of Delhi



ALEXANDER THOMSON  
of Banchory  
(1798-1868)  
Benefactor of Free Church College, Aberdeen

## THE FAMILY OF THOMSON

(ABERDEEN, 1610- )

The genealogy of this family, which has been numerously represented in Aberdeen as far back as the Registers record, has not been easy to unravel. Like that of many other families, it doubtless combines fact and fiction. It is only possible, therefore, to give here such information as to the origin of this branch of the Thomson Family as has come from earlier seekers after the truth, whose correspondence follows :—

The late Major-General Hugh Gordon Thomson, of the Madras Staff Corps, who resided at Bath, and was a great-great-grandson of the author's great-great-great-grandfather, Alexander Thomson, Farmer in Monthillie, Aberdeen, found in the repositories of his father, Colonel George Thomson, C.B., of Fairley, Newhills, Aberdeen, these notes :—

“The Thomsons held land in Eskdale, and were a strong Border Clan in the 16th century, but unfortunately then became ‘broken,’ that is, had no chief of sufficient power or influence to be security for the whole Clan, and make good any stolen cattle traced to their lands, and follow them into the next Clan's grounds. Their cattle were, therefore, seized by any one strong enough to do so, who raised a claim against them. This power was used by the Scotts of Buccleuch so tyrannically that the Thomsons, Beatsons, and some other broken Clans sought refuge in England, leaving their lands to the Scotts, who hold them to this day.

“When Henry VIII. sent an army under Sir Ralph Gour and Sir Brian Lawton to invade Scotland in 1545, these leaders obliged the Scotch Clans, who had sought refuge in England, to join their army, but at the Battle of Ancrum Moor (or Lillyards Edge), on 17th February, 1545, the Borderers turned against the English, who were defeated with great slaughter.

“The Thomsons evidently hoped that this patriotic treachery would have given them a claim on their countrymen; but they were rejected with scorn, and as England was now shut against them they dispersed northwards. One settled in Aberdeenshire, holding land near Seaton, Aberdeen, latterly from the Middletons (descendants of Cromwell's General Middleton), the last of whom befriended my father and grand-

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father, giving the former letters of introduction to influential people in London, when he left Aberdeen after the death of Magdalene Dingwall in 1779—(a daughter of Baillie John Dingwall of Ranniaston, near Aberdeen, whose daughter Agnes married, in 1794, Colonel Thomson's father, George Thomson)."

"In the great Civil Wars of 1645, Alexander Thomson (1610-1717) sought the protection of General Middleton of Seaton, who was left in command in the North of Scotland by General Monk when he marched South, and held land from him, which was sold about 1793 by George Thomson."

It is evident, that whatever reliance may be placed on the migratory movements of the Thomsons, some of them were located in and around Aberdeen; and there is no reason to doubt the genuineness of that.

### I. ALEXANDER THOMSON (1610-1717).

Alexander Thomson, *b.* 1610; *m.* about 1639; *d.* 1717. His family consisted of:—

1. JOHN, *b.* about 1640, of whom hereafter.

According to Colonel Thomson, this Alexander, a man of extraordinary strength, lived to a great age, and was thrice married. He held from Colonel Middleton the lands of Mount Heilie and Cotton—the former just outside the ancient Gallowgate Port of Aberdeen, and the latter near what is now the suburb of Woodside, Aberdeen.

### II. JOHN THOMSON (1640-after 1664).

John Thomson, *b.* 1640; *m.* about 1660; *d.* after 1664. His family consisted of:—

1. ALEXANDER, *b.* 27th Oct., 1661, of whom hereafter.

2. John, *b.* 2nd Feb., 1664; *d.* 16th April, 1669, and was buried in Oldmachar Churchyard.

### III. ALEXANDER THOMSON (1661-1747).

Alexander Thomson, *b.* 27th Oct., 1661; *m.* 24th Jan., 1717, Elspet Cassie (*b.* 15th March, 1691; *d.* 21st Oct., 1749), younger daughter of Alexander Cassie, Farmer, Cassiend, of whom before; *d.* 9th Nov., 1747, and was interred in St. Peter's Cemetery, Lair <sup>3</sup><sub>1</sub>. He served on the Fiars' Court Jury, in 1708.



"27 Oct. 1661. Johne Tamsone in Cottone ane sone called Alexander. Alex. Atkine, Alex. Tamsone, Alex. Moir, witnesses." (*O.R.*)

This is the Baptismal Register entry of the son of No. II., and grandson of No. I., both of whose names appear in the notice, and it seems to confirm beyond question the general facts already advanced.

"Anno 1717, January flyfth, Compeared Alexander Thomson in Aberdeen, and Elspet Cassie in this parish, and contracted marriage according to order. They consigned pledges ffor their civil behaviour, John Seatoun, ffermer in Spittel, cautioner ffor the man, Robert Cassie, Post in Aberdeen, ffor the woman. They were orderly proclaimed and married, January twenty-ffourth, Seventeen hundred and seventeen years, by Mr. Alexander Mitchell, Minister." (*O.R.*)

Alexander Thomson, Farmer, Mounthillie (now called Mounthooly), but spelt at various times in the Registers and elsewhere *Mount Heilie*, *Monthilly*, *Munthillie*, *Mount Hooly*—the origin and meaning of which have not yet been settled—became through his spouse Elspet Cassie (of whom before), the parent of a family of seven. These were—

1. Janet, *b.* 24th Nov., 1717, and baptised by Rev. Colin Campbell (Minister of the West Parish, Aberdeen, 1702-28, and father of the celebrated Rev. George Campbell, D.D., Minister of the Second Charge of Aberdeen, 1757-71, and Professor of Divinity and Principal of Marischal College, 1771-96, and Minister of Greyfriars), before Sir John Johnston, Bart., of Caskieben, and Robert Cuming, Merchant. She appears to have died an infant.
2. Margaret, *b.* 30th Dec., 1718, and baptised by Rev. John Osborn (Minister of the Third Charge, Aberdeen, 1716-48), before Sir John Johnston, Bart., and John Gordon, Litster; *d.* 29th October, 1748.
3. Alexander, *b.* 22nd Jan., 1721, and baptised by Rev. John Osborn, before Alexander Watson, Merchant, Alexander Smith, late Convener of the Trades, and Alexander Aberdein, Cooper; *d.* an infant.
4. JAMES, *b.* 29th March, 1723, and baptised by Rev. Colin Campbell, before James Davidson, Burgess and Maltman, and James Troup, Burgess and Maltman, of whom hereafter.

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5. Alexander, *b.* 5th Dec., 1725, and baptised by Rev. Colin Campbell, before Alexander Martin, Burgess and Merchant, and Alexander Watson, late Treasurer; *m.* about 1750, Anna Williamson (*b.* 12th Aug., 1719; *d.* 30th Oct., 1799), younger daughter of James Williamson, of Seggieden, Skene, and Marjorie Craik (*d.* 28th April, 1728); *d.* 10th Dec., 1787. He was a Farmer at Mounthillie, Aberdeen. Their family consisted of:—

(1) James, *b.* 9th Sept., 1751; *d.* 2nd Nov., 1779.

(2) George, *b.* 1752; *m.* 16th July, 1794, Agnes Dingwall (*b.* 23rd July, 1764; *d.* 25th Jan., 1850), fifth daughter of Baillie John Dingwall of Rannieston, Stocking Manufacturer in Aberdeen, who married (1st) Mary Lumsden, daughter of Rev. James Lumsden, M.A., of Corrachrie, and Minister of Towie; and (2nd) Mary Syme, daughter of Rev. Walter Syme, M.A., Minister of Tullynessle and Forbes, and had a family of ten sons and six daughters. From Margaret Syme, another daughter of Rev. Walter Syme (their great-grandfather) are descended Major-General Sir A. J. F. Reid, K.C.B., M.A., LL.D., Colonel 29th Punjabis; Robert William Reid, M.D., F.R.C.S., Professor of Anatomy, Aberdeen University; and William Reid, M.D., Medical Superintendent, Royal Asylum, Aberdeen, whose sister, Elizabeth, married the late Rev. George Pirie, M.A., LL.D., Professor of Mathematics, Aberdeen University, 1878-1904, and son of the Very Rev. Principal Pirie, D.D., LL.D., Aberdeen University. George Thomson was a Merchant in Aberdeen, and at one time a Captain in the Merchant Service, and proprietor of Fairley, Newhills. Burgess of Guild, 22nd Sept., 1780. George Thomson died 24th Dec., 1827, and was buried in St. Nicholas Churchyard, Aberdeen. Their family consisted of:—

i. Alexander, *b.* 6th Aug., 1795; *d.* 1825.

ii. Mary, *b.* 6th July, 1796; *d.* an infant.

iii. John, *b.* 27th July, 1797; *d.* an infant.

iv. Anna, *b.* 29th Nov., 1798; *d.* an infant.

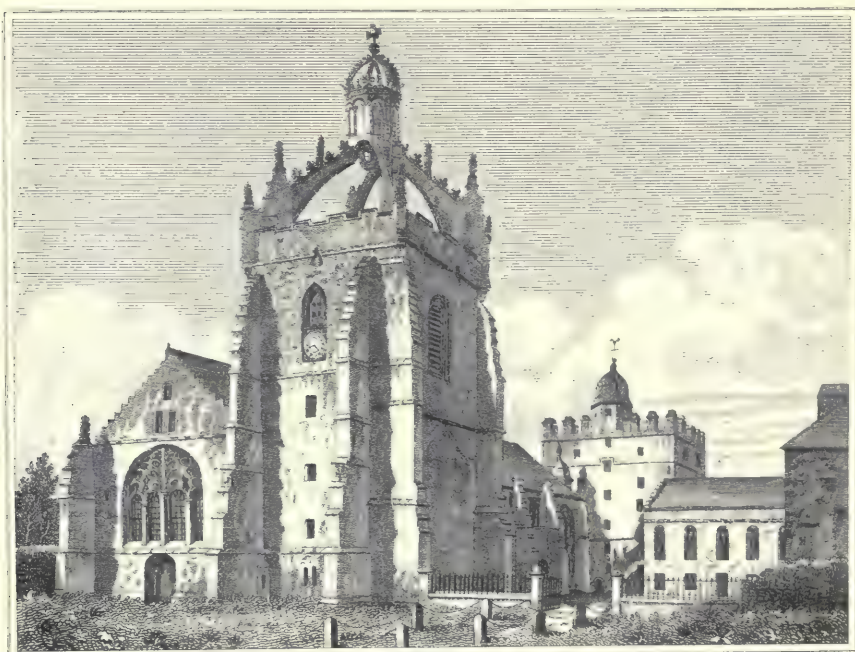


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KINGS COLLEGE OLD ABERDEEN.

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- v. George, *b.* 12th Dec., 1799 ; *m.* 4th Feb., 1830, Anna Dingwall (*b.* 1809 ; *d.* 1900, at Bath), sixth daughter of Alexander Dingwall of Ranniaston and Spring Garden House, Postmaster of Aberdeen, and Janet Abercrombie, daughter of Provost John Abercrombie ; *d.* 10th Feb., 1886, and was buried in Mount Jerome Cemetery, Harold's Cross, Dublin. Mrs. Thomson had ten sisters, of whom, Janet, was mother of the late Colonel Allardyce, LL.D.; Margaret married Lieut.-Colonel Carruthers, C.B., 2nd Regt.; Agnes married Lord Provost Sir Thomas Blaikie ; Elizabeth married Major John Anderson, Bengal Engineers ; Jane married (1st) Andrew G. Stuart, M.D., of Inchbreck, and (2nd) Charles Thomson, Advocate, and later Merchant, Liverpool, her cousin ; Sarah married Lieut. Henry Curling, 52nd Regiment ; and the others Katherine, Mary, and Magdalen died unmarried, and Jessie in infancy. The sisters were famous beauties. He was a Colonel in the Bengal Engineers and a C.B. He was a most distinguished officer, and acquired special distinction in blowing up the Kabul Gate of Ghuznee in the Afghan War of 1839 with Dost Mohammed. Burgess of Aberdeen, 17th Dec., 1841. Their family consisted of:—
  - (i.) Hugh Gordon, *b.* 21st Nov., 1830 ; *m.* 15th June, 1861, Mary Rothney Taylor ; *d.* 23rd May, 1910. He was a Major-General, Madras Staff Corps, and served on the Mysore Commission. Their family consisted of:—Frances Beresford, and George Lewis.
  - (ii.) George, *b.* 24th Dec., 1834 ; *d.* 13th Dec., 1840.
  - (iii.) Elizabeth Dingwall, *b.* 9th May, 1837 ; *d.* 9th March, 1844.
  - (iv.) Alexander Dingwall, *b.* 9th April, 1839 ; *m.* 17th

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- Aug., 1864, Mary Ann Duffus; *d.* 27th, April, 1872, at Halifax, Nova Scotia. He was a Captain, 16th (Queen's) Lancers, had two sons, and was later a Farmer.
- (v.) Anna, *b.* 16th Feb., 1842; *d.* 29th March, 1842.
- (vi.) Anna Sophia, *b.* 27th Dec., 1845; *d.* 15th May, 1850.
- (vii.) Caroline, *m.* 23rd May, 1870, Kenelm Digby Murray, Colonel, Royal Irish Fusiliers, and second son of Lieut.-Colonel Sir John Digby Murray, Bart., of Blackbarony, Peeblesshire. He served on the Staff in Egypt from 1882-6, and was Assistant Adjutant-General of the Frontier Field Force under General Grenfell, as also in India, 1889-94. He fought at Tel-el-Kebir, and received promotion and decorations for Egypt, 1882, Medal with Clasp and Bronze Star; 4th Class Osmanieh; Soudan, Ginnis, 1885-86; D.S.O. Their family consists of:—Frances Anna, Constance Digby, Archibald Digby (*b.* 30th April, 1878), and Kenelm Digby Bold (*b.* 30th Oct., 1879), who is a Captain in the 59th Scinde Rifles, Indian Army Frontier Force.
- (viii.) Amy Jane, *b.* 23rd Nov., 1849; *d.* 28th Dec., 1850.
- vi. John, *b.* 17th Feb., 1801; *d.* 12th Aug., 1840.
- vii. Anna, *b.* 27th July, 1802; *m.* 13th July, 1821, George Taylor, of Lissonfield, Dublin (*b.* 30th Oct., 1793; *d.* 7th Aug., 1841), who through his second wife Elizabeth Fogarty was grandfather of George Archibald Simpson, M.A., Advocate, Aberdeen; *d.* 28th June, 1828.
- viii. William, *b.* 3rd April, 1804; *m.* Mary Baddeley. He was a Surgeon on the Bengal Establishment, H.E.I.C.S., and rose to be a Deputy Inspector-General, Indian Medical Service. M.A., Marischal College, 1822.

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- ix. James, *b.* 22nd Sept., 1805 ; *d.* 20th May, 1838. He was a Merchant in Liverpool.
  - x. Charles, *b.* 9th Dec., 1807 ; *m.* 15th July, 1845, his cousin, Jane Dingwall (*b.* 19th Sept., 1810 ; *d.* 1884), ninth daughter of Alexander Dingwall of Ranniaston, Postmaster of Aberdeen. She had been previously married, 1st Aug., 1834, to Andrew George Stuart, M.D., H.E.I.C.S., of Inchbreck, Kincardineshire, and son of John Stuart, Professor of Greek in Marischal College, Aberdeen, 1782, by whom she had no family. Charles Thomson was an Advocate in Aberdeen till 1832, when he became a Merchant in Liverpool, where he died.
- (3) Barbara, *b.* 11th July, 1755 ; *m.* 22nd Aug., 1784, by Rev. George Abercrombie, M.A., to George Taylor (*b.* 11th June, 1748 ; *d.* 6th May, 1836), Captain in the Duke of Cumberland's Regiment, and second son of Alexander Taylor, Farmer, Oldtown of Atherb, New Deer. Captain George Taylor, who resided at Annfield, Aberdeen, and afterwards at Dublin, draughted the New Plan of the City of Aberdeen, 1773. He planned and superintended the Aberdeen and Inverurie Canal, and Howth Harbour. Other works were a Survey and Maps of the Roads of Scotland and Ireland, 1778 ; and a Plan of Charleston Harbour, America, 1780. Captain in the Guides, and Surveyor to Sir Henry Clinton, 1781 ; Captain in Duke of Cumberland's Regiment in the West Indies, 24th Sept., 1783. Burgess of Aberdeen, 10th March, 1788. Captain in Aberdeen Volunteers, 27th Aug., 1794. He removed later to Dublin, where, with his brother, he had control of Dublin Streets. Their family consisted of:—
- i. Ann, *b.* 27th July, 1787 ; *m.* John Dingwall (*b.* 22nd Sept., 1761 ; *d.* 29th March, 1836), of Ranniaston and Ardo, Lord Provost of Aberdeen, 1799-1801,

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- Merchant in Aberdeen, whose third wife she became; *d.* 28th April, 1860, in Edinburgh.
- ii. Mary, *b.* 23rd Oct., 1789; *m.* John Taylor, of Black House, Ayrshire, son of John Taylor, W.S., whose father the Rev. William Taylor, M.A., and brother the Rev. Hugh Taylor, M.A., were Ministers of New Deer, 1737-97, and 1773-1831.
- iii. Barbara, *b.* 20th March, 1791; *d.* an infant.
- iv. George, *b.* 30th Oct., 1793; *m.* (1st), 13th July, 1821, Anna Thomson (*b.* 27th July, 1802; *d.* 28th June, 1828), third daughter of George Thomson of Fairley, Aberdeen; *d.* 7th Aug., 1841. He was Commissioner of Paving and Lighting in Dublin. Their family consisted of:—
- (i.) George, *b.* 21st Dec., 1822; *d.* 9th Sept., 1843.
- (ii.) Alexander, *b.* 1824; *d.* 22nd Nov., 1888. He was a Medical Practitioner in Dublin, and M.A., Trinity College, 1852.
- George Taylor *m.* (2nd), 18th March, 1830, Elizabeth Fogarty (*b.* 1808; *d.* 15th April, 1872), daughter of John Edward Fogarty, M.D. Their family consisted of:—
- (i.) Edward. (ii.) Francis J., Chief Clerk, Educational Department, Toronto.
- (iii.) Archibald, Planter, Ceylon. (iv.) Frederick.
- (v.) Jane, *m.* 28th Sept., 1855, Alexander Simpson (*b.* 27th Dec., 1822; *d.* 17th Feb., 1900), second son of the Rev. Alexander Simpson, M.A., Minister of Strichen, 1807-52, and Advocate in Aberdeen, whose elder sister, Agnes (*b.* 1st Feb., 1815; *d.* 28th Jan., 1896), married David Kerr, M.D., Aberdeen, and whose younger sister, Margaret (*b.* 29th Dec., 1818; *d.* 28th May, 1880), married 21st Aug., 1855, as his second wife, the Rev. James Forsyth, D.D. (*b.* 25th Feb., 1796; *d.* 29th







GEORGE ARCHIBALD SIMPSON, M.A.

Advocate, Aberdeen

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Jan., 1879), Minister of the West Parish of St. Nicholas, Aberdeen, 1843-79. Alexander Simpson was an alumnus of Marischal College, and was admitted an Advocate, 1848.

Their family consisted of:—

*a.* Elizabeth, *b.* 13th Oct., 1856; *d.* 16th April, 1857.

*b.* Arthur, *b.* 6th Feb., 1858; *d.* 17th Feb., 1874.

He was a Student of Arts at Aberdeen University, 1873-4, and gained the 15th Bursary at the age of 15.

*c.* Alexander Taylor, *b.* 19th Oct., 1861; *d.* 26th Oct., 1862.

*d.* Agnes Margaret. She resides in Edinburgh with her mother.

*e.* George Archibald, *b.* 27th April, 1864; *m.* 3rd July, 1901, Barbara Walker Milne, second daughter of Alexander Milne. M.A. Aberdeen University, 1884. Admitted an Advocate, 1890. Captain, 1st V.B.G.H., 1892. Elder and Session-Clerk, West Parish Church, Aberdeen. Their family consists of:—

(*a*) George Taylor, *b.* 20th March, 1903.

(*b*) Barbara Jean.

*f.* Alexander Youngson, *b.* 24th Aug., 1866; *d.* 4th March, 1867.

*g.* Amy Jane, *m.* 3rd Sept., 1889, the Hon. Sydney Cuthbert, Merchant, Belize, British Honduras, a Member of the Legislative Council of British Honduras, and a nephew of Sir Theodore Martin, K.C.B., K.C.V.O., the eminent Parliamentary Agent, and author of many notable works, including the Life of the Prince Consort. Their family consists of:—

(*a*) Jean Margaret; (*b*) Amy Helen.

(*c*) Alice Frances.

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- (*d*) Sydney Alexander, *b.* 19th May, 1904.  
 (*e*) John Rozel, *b.* 11th Jan., 1907.  
 (*f*) Agnes Mary, *b.* 9th Jan., 1892 ; *d.* June, 1892.  
*h.* Frederick Taylor, *b.* 12th April, 1869. Some-  
 time in the Hong-Kong and Shanghai Bank  
 in Hong-Kong, and afterwards in the Stand-  
 ard Bank of South Africa in Cape Town  
 and Buluwayo. Joined Colonel Plumer's  
 Rhodesian Frontier Force, 1899. He was  
 wounded at Gaberones in a skirmish with a  
 Boer Force, and was taken prisoner, to  
 Pretoria, whence he was later released, but  
 died of his wounds, much lamented by all  
 who knew him, 14th Feb., 1900.  
*i.* Francis Douglas, *b.* 13th Oct., 1870 ; *m.* 9th  
 June, 1908, Ethel Lightfoot, younger  
 daughter of J. Lightfoot. M.A., Aberdeen  
 University, 1890, with 1st Class Honours in  
 Mental Philosophy and 2nd Class Honours in  
 Classics, the Hutton Prize and Seafield Gold  
 Medal in English. Exhibitioner of Exeter  
 College, Oxford, 1890-3. Entered the Indian  
 Civil Service, 5th, in 1893, and is stationed  
 at Gorakhpore, United Provinces of India.  
 Their family consists of:—  
 (*a*) Margaret, and (*b*) Mary.  
 (vi.) Mary, *m.* 10th Feb., 1853, John Edward  
 Chamney (*b.* 13th May, 1820, at Drogheda ;  
*d.* 31st Dec., 1857, at Dublin). She lives in  
 London.  
 (vii.) Elizabeth, *m.* (1st) James Young, Dundee ;  
*m.* (2nd) John R. Poignand, Jersey. She  
 lives in Jersey.  
 (viii.) Sophia, *m.* Edward Johnson.  
*v.* Archibald George. He was a Major.  
*vi.* Alexander, *d.* an infant.



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- vii. William, Secretary to the Great Southern and Western Railway of Ireland, and father of Sir Alexander Taylor, G.C.B., R.E. (*b.* 27th Jan., 1826; *m.* 1860, Lydia Munn, daughter of Rev. John R. Munn; *d.* 25th Feb., 1912), President of Cooper's Hill Engineering College (1880-96), Director of Siege Works at the Siege of Delhi (1857), and of whom the great General Nicholson said on his death-bed:—"If I live through this, the world shall know that Aleck Taylor took Delhi." He also served in the 1st and 2nd Sikh Campaigns; India Mutiny; and Umbeyla Campaign. Sir Alexander Taylor had four children:—Alicia, a writer, in collaboration with Dr. Jean Paul Richter, on classic Christian art and kindred subjects; Alexander, now commanding the 1st Batt. Queen's (Royal West Surrey) Regiment; Neville, who died shortly after the Boer War, during which he served as Adjutant of Lumsden's Horse, being Brevet-Major in the 14th Bengal Lancers at the time of his death; and Mildred, who married Mr. R. Woods, a Fellow of Cooper's Hill College.
6. Elspet, *b.* 11th July, 1728, and baptised by Rev. James Osborn, before Robert Cassie, Post, and Robert Elmslie, Shoemaker; *m.* 8th Oct., 1750, James Christie (*b.* 12th June, 1715; *d.* 27th July, 1808); *d.* 30th May, 1793, of whom before (page 5).
7. Robert, *b.* 27th April, 1731, and baptised by Rev. James Ogilvie, before Robert Thomson, Town Clerk, and Robert Cassie, Post; *m.* 21st Jan., 1751, Jane Christie; *d.* about 1782.

### IV. JAMES THOMSON (1723-1779).

James Thomson, *b.* 24th March, 1723; *m.* 7th Dec., 1747, Elspet Elmslie (*b.* 14th Jan., 1717; *d.* 21st Jan., 1788), of whom before; *d.* 17th April, 1779. He was a Farmer at Mounthooly and Gallowgatehead, Aberdeen.

"March 24, 1723. Alexander Thomson, farmer, and Elspet Cassie,

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his spouse, had a son called JAMES, baptised by Mr. Campbell. Witnesses James Davidson, burgess and maltman, and James Troup, burgess and maltman." (*A.R.*)

"7th December, 1747. Last Saturday James Thomson, farmer, Aberdeen, and Elspeth Elmslie. James Legg, maltster, and George Elmslie, merchant, £6." (*Aberdeen Marriage Contracts.*)

Their family consisted of:—

1. ELSPET, *b.* 1st April, 1750, of whom hereafter.
2. James, *b.* 24th March, 1756; *d.* after 1785. He was a Farmer and Horsehirer at Gallowgatehead.

### V. ELSPET THOMSON OR WALLACE (1750-1784).

Elspet Thomson, *b.* 1st April, 1750; *m.* 11th Sept., 1776, John Wallace (*b.* 1st July, 1749; *d.* 27th May, 1813), Baker in Aberdeen, and Convener of the Trades (1790-1), of whom hereafter; *d.* 15th July, 1784.

"1st April, 1750. James Thomson, horse-hirer, and Elizabeth Elmslie, his spouse, had Daur baptised Elizabeth by Mr. Ogilvie. Witnesses James Legg, maltster, and Alexander Thomson, farmer." (*A.R.*)

"Upon the Eleventh Day of December One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy-six years, by the Rev. Mr. Thomas Forbes, one of the Ministers of this city, were lawfully married in the bride's house after due proclamation of banns, John Wallace, baker in Aberdeen, and Elspeth Thomson, lawful daughter to James Thomson, farmer there, in presence of these witnesses, James Thomson and James Thomson, junior, farmers in Aberdeen." (*A.R.*)

Their family consisted of:—

1. ELSPET, *b.* 31st Oct., 1777.
2. John, *b.* 20th April, 1779.
3. Alexander Thomson, *b.* 25th Nov., 1782.
4. Jean, *b.* 27th May, 1784, of all of whom hereafter.

### VI. ELSPET WALLACE OR CHALMERS (1777-1853).

### VII. ALEXANDER WALLACE CHALMERS (1801-1862).

### VIII. CHRISTIAN CHALMERS OR SMITH (1826-1876).

### IX. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH.

This family of Thomson is related to most of the same name in Aberdeen, some of whose names appear as witnesses at baptisms, &c.

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Among these are Alexander Thomson, of Cults, Advocate in Aberdeen, and Sheriff-Depute of Aberdeenshire, 1629-56; and Alexander Thomson, of Portlethen, his youngest son, Advocate in Aberdeen, Town Clerk, 1694-1727, and Sheriff-Substitute of Aberdeenshire, 1713 and 1722-7, who married Helen Gregory, eldest daughter of James Gregory, Professor of Mathematics, St. Andrews University. Of their family, James, their eldest son, succeeded to Portlethen; Helen married George Skene of Rubislaw; Robert, Advocate in Aberdeen, inherited Portlethen, and was Town Clerk of Aberdeen, 1724-67; Mary married James Carnegie, Litster, whose son, Alexander Carnegie, was Town Clerk, 1767-1806; and Andrew Thomson, of Crawton, Advocate in Aberdeen, was Sheriff-Substitute of Aberdeenshire, 1763-6. Andrew Thomson, eldest son of the last-named, Laird of Crawton, Carronshore, and Ranniaston, and an Advocate in Aberdeen, married Helen Hamilton, second daughter of Professor Robert Hamilton, Marischal College, Aberdeen; and their eldest son, Alexander (who married Jessie Fraser, eldest daughter of Alexander Fraser, Lord Provost of Aberdeen, 1815-16), was last Laird of Banchory, now the property of ex-Lord Provost Sir David Stewart, LL.D., D.L., and of Lady Stewart, eldest daughter of the late Very Rev. David Brown, D.D., LL.D., Principal of the Free Church College, Aberdeen, 1876-1897.

Alexander Thomson, *b.* 21st June, 1798; *m.* 14th Feb., 1825, Jessie Fraser (*b.* 14th Feb., 1799; *d.* 8th Aug., 1870); *d.* 20th May, 1868. He was an Advocate in Aberdeen, and was frequently Lord Rector's Assessor in the University Court of Marischal College. One of the greatest distinctions and joys of his life was this, that when the British Association visited Aberdeen in 1859, he had the high honour of entertaining at Banchory House, on 14th and 15th September, His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, President for the year. Mr. Thomson, it may be added, claimed kinship with John Knox, as is set forth in Smeaton's *Memoir of Alexander Thomson of Banchory*, pp. 2-3:—"John Knox, the celebrated Reformer, left three daughters, one of whom was married to a Mr. Baillie, of the Jerviswoode family, and by him had a daughter who was married to a Mr. Kirkton, of Edinburgh. By this marriage Mr. Kirkton had a daughter, Margaret, who was married to Dr. Andrew Skene of Aberdeen. Dr. Skene left several children, the

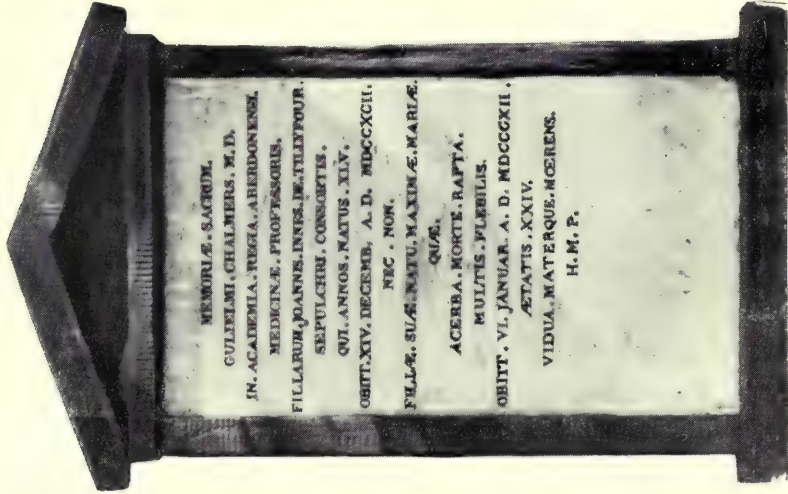
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eldest of whom, Dr. Andrew Skene, had by his wife, Miss Lumsden of Cushnie, several sons and daughters. One of these, Mary, was married to Andrew Thomson of Banchory, who had issue by her, Margaret, Andrew, and Alexander. Andrew married Miss Hamilton, daughter of Dr. Hamilton, of Marischal College, Aberdeen, and by her had issue—Alexander, born June 21, 1798, and present proprietor of Banchory." An heirloom treasured in the family was an antique watch, said to have been presented to the great Reformer by Mary, Queen of Scots, to gain his favour for some royal proposal. In those days watches were owned only by princes or nobles. Being childless he disentailed Banchory, and at his death bequeathed his extensive means and library to the Free Church College, Aberdeen, and to Aberdeen University. But for this disentail the estate would have fallen to Colonel George Thomson, C.B., of Fairley (page 69).

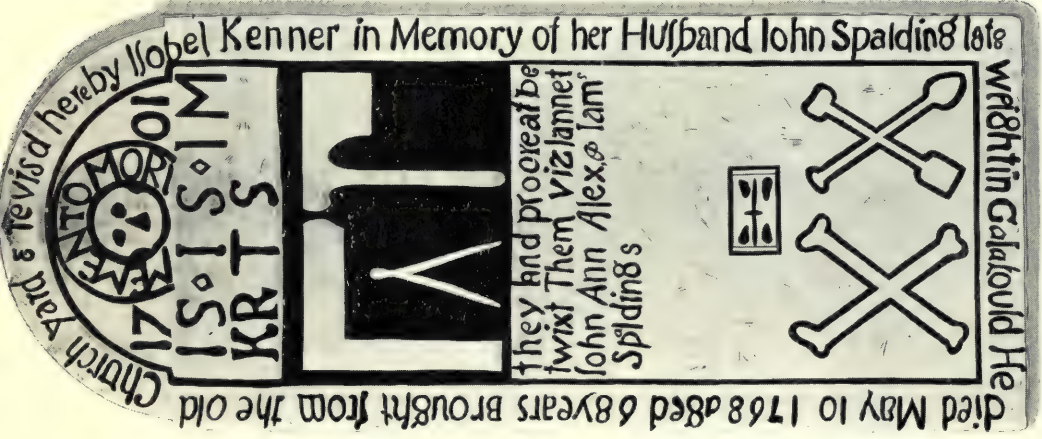
Fuller details as to the Thomson Families and as to their inter-marriages with the chief City and County Families will be found in *The Family Record of the Name of Dingwall Fordyce*, 2 vols., 1885. So also, interesting references to Colonel George Thomson, C.B., the Hero of Ghuznee, will be found from the pen of Sir Henry Yule in the *Royal Engineers' Journal*, 1886, and in Sir Edward Thackeray's *Bengal Engineers*.



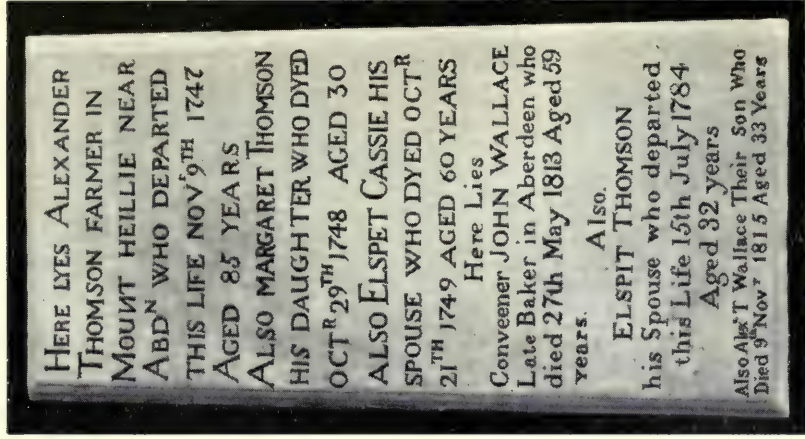




Marble Tablet on South Wall of St. Machar Churchyard, Aberdeen



Stone in Inverarity Churchyard, Forfarshire



Stone in St. Peter's Churchyard, Aberdeen

### TOMBS OF ANCESTORS OF THE REV. JAMES SMITH

Professor CHALMERS, G.-G.-Grandfather

JOHN SPALDING, G.-G.-Grandfather

ALEXANDER THOMSON, G.-G.-G.-Grandfather

## WALLACE

### THE FAMILY OF WALLACE

(NEW DEER, *c.* 1660- )

#### I. ALEXANDER WALLACE (*c.* 1660—after 1696).

Alexander Wallace, *b.* about 1660 ; *m.* about 1688, Elspet Ironside ; *d.* after 1696. He was a Farmer in Auchmaledie, New Deer. Their family consisted of :—

1. ALEXANDER, *b.* 16th March, 1690, of whom hereafter.
2. William, *b.* 13th Feb., 1696.

#### II. ALEXANDER WALLACE (1690—after 1749).

Alexander Wallace, *b.* 16th March, 1690 ; *m.* about 1725, Isobel Milne (*b.* 1st April, 1692), third daughter of George Ross, Farmer, Rottencairns, New Deer ; *d.* after 1749. He was a Farmer in Auchmaledie, and afterwards in Culsh, New Deer.

“ March 16th, 1690 years.

“ The sd day Allexr. Wallac in Auchmaledy heed a sone brought forth be Elspett Ironsyd, his wyf, and was baptised upon the 21 day named Allexr. Godfathers Allexr. Low in Auchmaledy and Andro Ironsyd in Stonnyfold.” (*New Deer Register.*)

Their family consisted of :—

1. Andrew, *b.* 13th Aug., 1726 ; *m.* 18th Aug., 1768, Janet Kilo.
2. William, *b.* 17th May, 1729 ; *m.* Jean Smith ; *d.* 8th March, 1806.

Their family consisted of :—

- (1) Elizabeth, *b.* 10th Sept., 1775.
- (2) A son, *b.* 4th Sept., 1778.
3. Isobel, *b.* 5th Nov., 1734.
4. Alexander, *b.* 24th April, 1737 ; *d.* 13th April, 1817.
5. Thomas, *b.* 4th Oct., 1740.
6. John, *b.* 27th March, 1747 ; *d.* an infant.
7. JOHN, *b.* 1st July, 1749, of whom hereafter.

#### III. JOHN WALLACE (1749-1813).

John Wallace, *b.* 1st July, 1749 ; *m.* 11th Dec., 1776, Elspet Thomson (*b.* 1st April, 1750 ; *d.* 15th July, 1784), daughter of James Thomson, Farmer, at Mounthooly and Gallowgatehead, Aberdeen, of whom before ; *d.* 27th May, 1813, and interred in St. Peter's Cemetery, Lair <sup>39</sup>/<sub>1</sub>.

“ Anno 1749, July 1st. Alexander Wallace in Culsh had a son brought forth by his wife, Isobel Milne, baptised named John. Witnesses,

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George Milne and Thomas Beaton, both in Cullerna." (*New Deer Register*.)

He was a Baker in Broad Street, Aberdeen, in the large house at the S.E. corner of Ragg's Lane, where one of his tenants was Peter Gill, Watchmaker (who died 26th Jan., 1850, at the great age of 93), grandfather of Sir David Gill, K.C.B., F.R.S., late Astronomer Royal at the Cape. He was Convener of the Trades, 1790-1. Burgess of Trade, 28th Aug., 1777, and of Guild, 12th Sept., 1799. Between 1791 and 1809, he served on the Fiars' Court Jury thirteen times. In the affairs of the City as well as of the Trades, he took an active and warm interest. Boxmaster of the Baker Incorporation, 1780 and 1781, and Deacon in 1782, 1791, 1792, and 1797. Elected a Trades' Councillor in 1783 and in 1792. Treasurer of the Narrow Wynd Society, 1791, and an Assistant in 1794, 1801, and 1803. Treasurer of the Shiprow Society, 1792; Assessor in 1793 and 1799; and an Assistant in 1803. Director of the Poors' Hospital, 1792. Manager of St. Andrew's Society, 1792, 1799, 1801, and 1807; Vice-President, 1793; and President in 1794. Manager of the Royal Infirmary, 1794 and 1796. Assistant of the Gallowgate Society, 1797. Factor to Trades' Widows' Fund, 1799 and 1801. Manager of Dr. Grant's Dispensary, 1802 and 1805; and elected a Director of Aberdeen Dispensary, 1807. He attended along with his son-in-law, Samuel Chalmers, the famous Head Court, described in Vol. I., pp. 437-8, of *Kennedy's Annals of Aberdeen*. His last years were clouded with financial disaster, for on 8th Oct., 1808, his property in Broad Street was sold for £1200 to Charles Walker, Merchant, by the Trustee on his estate, Alexander Brebner, of Learney, twice Lord Provost of Aberdeen, and grandfather of Colonel Innes, C.V.O., LL.D., of Learney, who died 12th Nov., 1912, in his 99th year. Their family consisted of:—

1. ELSPET, *b.* 31st Oct., 1777; *m.* 29th June, 1798, Samuel Chalmers, Clothier, Aberdeen, and Clerk of the Police Commissioners, of whom before (page 9); *d.* 21st Dec., 1853.
2. John, *b.* 20th April, 1779; *m.* 24th Dec., 1812, Barbara Imray (*b.* 14th July, 1784), elder daughter of Celia Donald, second wife of John Imray (*b.* 1754; *m.* 26th Aug., 1777, Barbara Tytler, fourth daughter of Hary Tytler, Merchant, Milltown of Corsindae, Midmar, whose descendants are still at Muirtown of Corsindae;



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*d.* 1st Sept., 1806), of whom hereafter; *d.* after 1815. Burgess of Guild, 12th Sept., 1799. Their family consisted of:—

(1) Celia, *b.* 25th Jan., 1813. (2) John, *b.* 29th Aug., 1815.

3. Alexander Thomson, *b.* 25th Nov., 1782; *d.* 9th Nov., 1815. Educated at Aberdeen Grammar School, and a Prizeman in 5th Class, 1795. He was, in 1796, Silver Penman at Marischal College, Aberdeen, and graduated M.A. in 1799. Burgess of Guild, 7th Aug., 1805. He was a Merchant in Aberdeen.

4. Jean, *b.* 27th May, 1784; *d.* an infant.

John Wallace, Senior, had a niece, Janet (*b.* 1762; *d.* 21st Jan., 1832), who married James Taylor (*b.* 1754; *d.* 7th June, 1801), Umbrella Maker, Aberdeen. Their family consisted of:—

1. John, *b.* 24th July, 1783; *d.* 7th March, 1790.
2. Jane, *b.* 29th Jan., 1785; *m.* 13th June, 1827, Thomas Innes (*b.* 19th April, 1778; *m.* (1st) 26th Dec., 1799, Margaret Andrew; *d.* 30th April, 1830, at Inverurie), Shipmaster, Newburgh, and younger brother of John Innes (*b.* 28th Nov., 1769; *m.* Ann Mitchell, who died 16th Nov., 1828, aged 68 years), Captain of the whaler "Oscar," lost at Aberdeen, 1st April, 1813, with 42 of her crew (page 34); *d.* 9th Jan., 1871, and buried in her father's grave in St. Peter's Cemetery, Aberdeen. After her husband's death, she kept lodgers in Broad Street, Crown Street, and Dee Street, one of her most respected lodgers being Samuel Martin (*b.* 1814; *d.* 7th Jan., 1888), Hatter to the People.
3. James, *b.* 1787; *d.* 5th April, 1790.
4. Alexander, *b.* 1789; *d.* 13th Jan., 1790.
5. Elizabeth, *b.* 31st May, 1792; *d.* 12th July, 1822.
6. Margaret, *b.* 19th Feb., 1795; *d.* 16th Dec., 1816; and
7. Alexander—twin.
8. John, *b.* 7th Jan., 1797; *d.* 19th Jan., 1814.

IV. ELSPET WALLACE or CHALMERS (1777-1853).

V. ALEXANDER WALLACE CHALMERS (1801-1862).

VI. CHRISTIAN CHALMERS or SMITH (1826-1876).

VII. MARY CHALMERS SMITH, Rev. JAMES SMITH, ALICE SMITH.

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### THE FAMILY OF ANDERSON

(RATHEN, *c.* 1680- )

[This Family is related to Alexander Thomson (page 68), younger brother of James Thomson, Great-Great-Great-Grandfather of Rev. James Smith.]

#### I. JAMES ANDERSON (*c.* 1680-1741).

James Anderson, *b.* about 1680; *m.* about 1704; *d.* before 28th Dec., 1740. M.A., Marischal College, 1698. Licensed by Presbytery of Garioch, 26th Nov., 1701, and ordained Minister of Rathen, near Fraserburgh, 11th March, 1703. Their family consisted of:—

1. James, *b.* 10th Dec., 1705; *m.* Elizabeth Gordon (*d.* after 1741), daughter of Dr. Thomas Gordon, of Craigelly; *d.* 1740. Schoolmaster of Rathen, 1735-38. Licensed by Presbytery of Deer, 20th July, 1737, and ordained colleague and successor, 6th Dec., 1738, to his father, whom he predeceased, before 28th Dec., 1740.
2. John, *b.* 5th Dec., 1706.
3. Margaret, *b.* 18th March, 1708; *m.* George Ogilvie (*d.* after 19th Feb., 1741); *d.* after 19th Feb., 1741.
4. THOMAS, *b.* 29th Jan., 1710, of whom hereafter.
5. Charles, *b.* 29th Dec., 1711; *d.* an infant.
6. Marie, and 7. Ann—twin, *b.* 4th Feb., 1716.
8. Charles, *b.* 29th, Feb., 1720.
9. Elizabeth, *b.* 13th Aug., 1724.
10. Alexander, *b.* 31st Jan., 1727.

#### II. THOMAS ANDERSON (1710-1765).

Thomas Anderson, *b.* 29th Jan., 1710; *m.* 28th Nov., 1734, Agnes Auchinleck (*b.* 1711; *d.* 3rd May, 1786), daughter of Rev. Alexander Auchinleck, Minister of Fraserburgh, 4th Feb., 1707-1753,—at whose settlement there was a riot, suppressed by soldiery,—and of Elizabeth Fraser, daughter of Mr Fraser, of Tyrie, and grand-daughter of Colonel John Fullarton, of Dudwick, and Elizabeth Preston, widow of Sir Robert Douglas. They had a family, of whom Agnes married Mr. Fraser of Tyrie, another married Mr. Niven Stewart, and a third

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married Mr. Udny, of Udny and Auchterellon. Lady Tyrie's daughter, Elizabeth, married Rev. Alexander Auchinleck, of Fraserburgh. Rev. Thomas Anderson died 16th Nov., 1765. M.A., King's College, 1728. Licensed by Presbytery of Deer, 19th June, 1733. Ordained Minister of Aberdour, 24th April, 1734. Their family consisted of:—

1. James, *b.* 9th Nov., 1735; *d.* 13th Feb., 1759, at St Croix.
2. Elizabeth, *b.* 31st Dec., 1736; *d.* 14th Oct., 1759.
3. Anne, *b.* 23rd Feb., 1738; *d.* 26th June, 1755.
4. Margaret. *b.* 12th Dec., 1739; *d.* 3rd Nov., 1777.
5. Mary, *b.* 19th April, 1741.
6. Alexander, *b.* 8th July, 1742; *d.* 25th Jan., 1744.
7. Samuel, *b.* 25th Feb., 1744; *d.* 3rd June, 1745.
8. Thomas, *b.* 30th April, 1745; *d.* 20th Feb., 1746.
9. William, *b.* 9th Nov., 1746; *m.* (1st) a lady, at Evie, where she died; *m.* (2nd) 19th Dec., 1789, Mary Groat (*b.* 1757; *d.* 25th Sept., 1819), daughter of Robert Groat, M.D., of Newhall; *d.* 5th March, 1823. M.A., Marischal College, 1767. Licensed by Aberdeen Presbytery, 1771. Ordained Assistant and Successor, Evie and Rendall, Orkney, 1780. Minister of Holm, 1797-1798. Minister of St. Fergus, 1798-1823. No family then alive, in 1798.
10. AGNES, *b.* 4th April, 1750, of whom hereafter.
11. Christian, *b.* 7th April, 1752; *d.* 28th Jan., 1753.
12. Magdalene, *b.* 10th Aug., 1753; *d.* 11th April, 1756.

### III. AGNES ANDERSON (1750-1825).

Agnes Anderson, *b.* 4th April, 1750; *m.* 20th Feb., 1780, Rev. Andrew Youngson, M.A. [*b.* 1743; *m.* (1st) 15th May, 1764, Mary Taylor (*d.* 21st May, 1770), daughter of the Rev. William Taylor, M.A., Minister of New Deer, 1737-97]; *d.* 22nd May, 1825. Rev. Andrew Youngson was a native of New Deer. M.A., King's College, Aberdeen, 11th March, 1747. Licensed by Presbytery of Deer, 20th Feb., 1754. Ordained Missionary at Enzie, 6th May, 1761. Minister of Aberdour, 2nd July, 1766-15th June, 1809, when he died in his 83rd year. For the last thirty years of his life he suffered from a grievous affection of

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the throat, which he bore with cheerful resignation, piety and fortitude.

By his first wife, his family consisted of:—

1. Christian, *b.* 17th May, 1765.
2. Alexander, *b.* 15th April, 1766.
3. William, *b.* 1st Jan., 1768; *d.* 10th March, 1785.

By his second wife, Agnes Anderson, he had a family of:—

1. James, *b.* 4th Dec., 1780.
2. Agnes Margaret, *b.* 17th Feb., 1783; *m.* 1st Aug., 1811, Rev. Alexander Simpson, M.A., Minister of Strichen, of whom hereafter; *d.* 22nd Dec., 1874.
3. Thomas, *b.* 28th Aug., 1784; *m.* 22nd July, 1828, Christina Milne (*b.* 1793; *d.* 5th April, 1877), daughter of William Milne, Roseheart, Fraserburgh; *d.* 26th Oct., 1839. He was a Major, 48th Regt. Madras Infantry. Their family consisted of:—

- (1) Thomas Alexander William Andrew, *b.* 23rd Nov., 1832, at Harthill, Keig, Aberdeenshire; *m.* 31st Oct., 1871, Margaret Forbes Pirie, third daughter of the Very Rev. W. R. Pirie, D.D., Principal of Aberdeen University; *d.* 13th May, 1912. Educated at Grammar School and West-End Academy, Aberdeen. M.A., Marischal College, 1851. Admitted an Advocate, 6th June 1857. Sometime Factor for Bishop's Hospital and Collyhill Trust. A Founder and Manager of Aberdeen Poors' Association. Manager, Aberdeen Savings Bank; Deaf and Dumb Institution; and Morningfield Hospital. Session-Clerk, Gilcomston Parish Church, 1865-1901, and Clerk to the Trustees, 1866-1890. J.P. for Aberdeenshire. Author of Marischal College Class Record, 1847-51. Lieutenant Aberdeenshire Artillery Vols., 23rd Sept., 1861, and retired as Colonel, 24th June, 1893. V.D. Their family consisted of:—

- i. Thomas William, Captain, King's Own Scottish Borderers. Served throughout South African War, 1899-1902.
- ii. Isabella Agnes Allan, and iii. Margaret Louise—twin.



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- (2) Isabella Agnes, *b.* 1834; *m.* 10th July, 1856, Robert D. D. Allan, M.D., Assistant Surgeon, Bengal Army. They were massacred at Cawnpore. "Killed in the massacre at Cawnpore, on the 2nd of July, Dr. Robert D. D. Allan, formerly in the 23rd and 48th Regiments, Bengal Native Infantry; and at the same time his beloved wife Isabella Agnes Youngson. Dr. Allan saw much service in the Punjab—was present at Aliwal, Mooltan, and Goojerat, for two of which he carried medals, and earned the high approbation of all his superior officers. His presence at Cawnpore was accidental, as he was there on his way from Calcutta, on the expiry of his furlough to join the 33rd Regiment, B.N.I., at Hushyarpore. Having served under Sir Hugh Wheeler on the Sutlej, in the 48th Regiment, it appears as if he had been put on Sir Hugh's Staff at Cawnpore, and sailed in the same boat with him at the attempted escape."—(*Aberdeen Journal*, 4th Nov., 1857.)

4. Andrew, *b.* 4th July, 1786.

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(ABERDEEN, 1715— )

[This Family is related to the Family of Chalmers (page 7), through Christian Hill, mother of Samuel Chalmers and second wife of John Lamb.]

##### THOMAS FERGUSON (1715–1790).

Thomas Ferguson, *b.* 1715; *m.* 18th June, 1744, Janet Davidson (*b.* 1716; *d.* 22nd April, 1799), second daughter of James Davidson, Shoemaker, Inverurie, and Jean Mearns, whose eldest daughter Elizabeth was the wife of John Alexander, Schoolmaster, Inverurie; *d.* 31st Dec., 1790. He was a Wright in Aberdeen. Their family consisted of:—

1. Helen, *b.* 1746; *m.* John Davidson (*b.* 1750; *d.* 7th Jan., 1824), Advocate in Aberdeen and Laird of Kebbaly, Midmar, son of John Davidson (*b.* 1711; *d.* 30th July, 1781), Farmer, Footie, Kincardine O'Neil, and Janet Ettershank (*b.* 1713; *d.* 23rd Feb., 1790); *d.* 15th Sept., 1794. They had two

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sons, John and Thomas. John Davidson married, 17th March, 1796, as his second wife, Jane, second daughter of Baillie Alexander Farquhar, Kintore, whose elder daughter Margaret married Rev. James Shand, M.A., of Greyfriars, Aberdeen.

2. JANET, *b.* 1749; *m.* 3rd Dec., 1771, John Lamb, Wright, of whom hereafter; *d.* 22nd April, 1797.
3. Elizabeth, *b.* 30th March, 1752; *m.* 3rd Sept., 1776, Alexander Smith (*b.* 1745; *d.* 30th Jan., 1801), Chairmaker, London; *d.* 24th Feb., 1801. Their family consisted of:—

- (1) Elizabeth, *m.* 24th Oct., 1801, Alexander Paterson (*b.* 1773; *d.* 6th Aug., 1809), Minister of the Relief Church, Dundee, eldest son of Alexander Paterson (*b.* 1745; *m.* 1st Dec., 1770; *d.* 30th May, 1745), Shoemaker, Aberdeen, and Elizabeth Morgan, and eldest brother of Dr. Joseph Paterson (*b.* 17th Jan., 1779; *m.* 6th June, 1804, Janet Hunter—*b.* 1781; *d.* 14th Sept., 1854, daughter of Robert Hunter, Dundee), Minister of Montrose, 1811-1871. Dr. Paterson at times took the place of his brother John, who was Tutor to Lord Byron, when a pupil of Aberdeen Grammar School, where they were all educated. John Paterson was First Bursar, Marischal College, 1797, and M.A., 1800. Alexander Paterson was M.A., Marischal College, 1793. Rev. Alexander Paterson was interred in the Howff, Dundee, where his congregation erected a Monument (now removed) to his memory, bearing these words:—  
 “He resigned his body, worn with constant labour, and is now gone to the peaceful mansions of everlasting bliss. His last sermon was from Psalm lxxxix. and 1st, ‘*I will sing of the mercies of the Lord for ever.*’”

“*He lived to die and died to live,  
 And died to die no more;  
 And now he lives and reigns with Christ,  
 His Lord and Saviour dear.*”

Their family consisted of:—

- i. Alexander Smith, *b.* 6th Jan., 1803; *d.* 12th Sept., 1828. Educated at Aberdeen Grammar School.

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1812-1817. M.A., Marischal College, 1821. Student of Divinity, 1821-27. Author of "Pater-son's Shorter Catechism," which is a most able treatise; "History of the Church from the 1st to the 17th Century" (prepared for the examination for license by the Presbytery of Aberdeen), and of a "Concordance of the Scriptures." He was interred in the family grave, D. 764, in St. Nicholas Churchyard, Aberdeen.

- ii. John, *b.* 15th Aug., 1804; *d.* 18th Aug., 1823.
  - iii. Helen Smith, *b.* 5th July, 1807.
  - iv. Elizabeth Morgan, *b.* 7th June, 1809.
- (2) Helen. (3) William. (4) Robert.

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(ABERDEEN, 1746- )

[This Family is related to the Family of Smith (page 49), through James Hobb Hay, who married Mary Smith.]

### I. CHARLES HAY (1746-1844).

Charles Hay, *b.* 1746; *m.* before 1789, Ann Panton (*d.* before 1857); *d.* 1844. He was a Builder in Woodside, Aberdeen. A fine painting of him, in his 98th year, by John Phillip, R.A., is extant. Their family consisted of:—

- 1. JOHN, *b.* 4th Jan., 1789, of whom hereafter.
- 2. Alexander, *m.* Jane Smith. He was a Japanner in Aberdeen, and had a son John, *b.* 29th Dec., 1826, and three daughters Ann, Magdalene (who married Robert Livingstone, Hotel-keeper, Echt), and Jeannie, who died in Australia.
- 3. Elizabeth, *m.* John Lochiel, Aberdeen, and had a large family. One of her daughters *m.* William McLean, of the Customs, Liverpool.

### II. JOHN HAY (1789-1857).

John, *b.* 4th Jan., 1789; *m.* 8th Jan., 1820, Ann Hobb (*b.* April, 1800; *d.* 23rd Oct., 1844), daughter of James Hobb, Farmer, Smiddyhill, Forfar; *d.* 2nd Nov., 1857. He was a Carver and Gilder in Aberdeen,

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and built the house at 73 Union Street, now occupied by his grandson, Robert W. L. Hay. Their family consisted of :—

1. James Hobb, *b.* 27th Feb., 1822 ; *m.* 3rd Sept., 1846, Mary Smith (*b.* 4th Aug., 1824 ; *d.* 8th Dec., 1894), eldest daughter of Lewis Smith, Wholesale Bookseller and Stationer, Aberdeen, of whom before (page 49) ; *d.* 2nd Nov., 1882.

2. JOHN, *b.* 4th June, 1825, of whom hereafter.

3. Ann, *b.* 8th Jan., 1830 ; *d.* 23rd Aug., 1831.

4. Helen, *b.* 9th April, 1835 ; *m.* 7th Dec., 1859, William Forsyth Arthur (*b.* 23rd Sept., 1825 ; *d.* 15th May, 1899), Schoolmaster, Kirkcaldy, son of Richard Arthur, Farmer, and Margaret Forsyth, Falkland. Their family consisted of :—

- (1) Annie Hay, *b.* 16th Sept., 1860 ; *d.* 16th Feb., 1862.

- (2) Margaret Forsyth, *b.* 9th July, 1862 ; *d.* 17th Nov., 1866.

- (3) Richard, *b.* 22nd Feb., 1863. He is a Chemist in America, and is married.

- (4) Helen Robertson Hay, *m.* 14th Aug., 1889, Rev. George Johnstone Chree, B.D. (*b.* 14th July, 1864), Presidency Senior Chaplain, Bengal, second son of George Chree, M.A., Schoolmaster, Keig, Aberdeenshire, and Helen Johnstone, eldest daughter of George Johnstone, Farmer, Mains of Inkhorn, Auchnagatt, Aberdeenshire. Their family consists of :—

- i. Helen Hay Arthur Johnstone.

- ii. George William Johnstone, *b.* 9th Sept., 1893. He is a Cadet at Sandhurst Military College.

- iii. Mary Arthur.

- (5) Agnes Mary. She resides with her mother, in Great Western Road, Aberdeen.

- (6) John Hay, *b.* 7th July, 1868 ; *m.* 22nd Dec., 1898, Florence Smith, daughter of John Smith, Chapel-en-le-Frith, Derbyshire. He is a Solicitor and Bank Agent in Dornoch. Their family consists of :—

- i. William Hay, *b.* 9th Nov., 1899.

- ii. John Hay, *b.* 23rd May, 1901.

- iii. Florence Mary.



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- (7) William Forsyth, *b.* 28th July, 1870; *d.* 13th Jan., 1871.
- (8) William Hay, *b.* 8th Feb., 1872; *m.* July, 1895, Florence Armstrong, youngest daughter of Thomas Armstrong, Sheep Farmer, Saucy Creek, Bombala, N.S.W. He is a Sheep Farmer. Their family consists of:—
  - i. Edith Irene Helen Hay.
  - ii. Bruce Forsyth Arthur, *b.* 9th May, 1896.
- (9) Margaret Ann. She resides with her mother.

### III. JOHN HAY (1825-1896).

John, *b.* 4th June, 1825; *m.* 2nd Aug., 1849, Ann Lyall (*b.* 11th June, 1826; *d.* 1st Feb., 1908), only daughter of David Lyall, Farmer, Little Tullo, Edzell; *d.* 18th Oct., 1896. He was a Carver and Gilder in Aberdeen to Her Majesty Queen Victoria. Their family consisted of:—

- 1. John, *b.* 13th Aug., 1850; *d.* 16th Dec., 1879, at Auckland, New Zealand. He was a Bank Clerk.
- 2. David, *b.* 27th Feb., 1853. He is in Australia.
- 3. Lindsay, *b.* 3rd Nov., 1856; *m.* 14th Sept., 1887, Cecilia Louise Parker; *d.* July, 1910. He was a Captain in the Orient Line. Their family consisted of:—
  - (1) Gladys Lyall, *m.* Cyril Goodacre, Liverpool, and had a son Charles.
- 4. Alice Arthur, *m.* 11th June, 1889, David Clunie Miller, Calico Printer, Manchester. Their family consists of:—
  - (1) Colin Hay, *b.* 23rd July, 1890. He is a Rubber Planter in Penang.
- 5. Robert Watson Lyall, *b.* 26th Sept., 1868; *m.* 11th July, 1900, Agnes Hunter Doig, elder daughter of William Doig, Farmer, Carcary, Brechin. He is a Carver and Gilder in Aberdeen to Their Majesties the King and Queen and to Her Majesty Queen Alexandra, as to former Royalties. Their family consists of:—
  - (1) Dorothy Elizabeth Lyall, and (2) Muriel Lindsay.

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THE FAMILY OF LAMB

(ABERDEEN, *c.* 1630— )

[This Family is related to the Family of Chalmers (page 8), through Christian Hill, mother of Samuel Chalmers, and second wife of John Lamb.]

I. WILLIAM LAMB (*c.* 1630—after 1660).

William Lamb, *b.* about 1630; *m.* about 1656; *d.* after 1660. He was a Farmer in Tarves, and had at least a family of:—

1. WILLIAM, *b.* about 1660, of whom hereafter.

II. WILLIAM LAMB (*c.* 1660—after 1726).

William Lamb, *b.* about 1660; *m.* 13th June, 1706, Elspet Davidson (*b.* about 1680), daughter of George Davidson, Farmer, Aberdeen. He was a Wright in Aberdeen. Their family consisted of:—

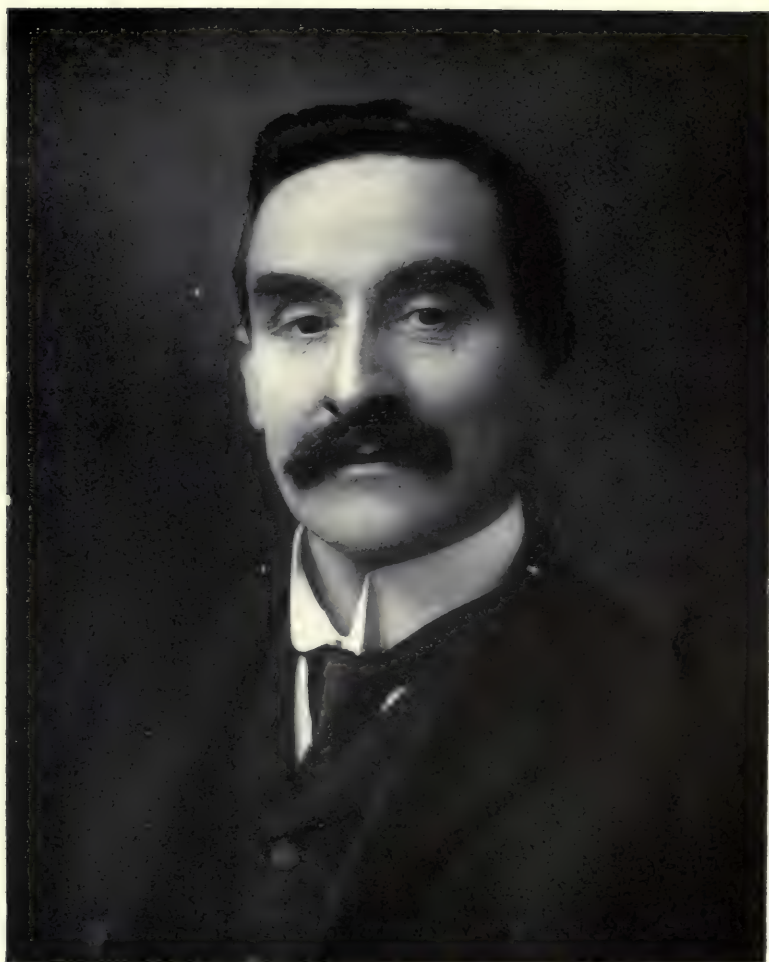
1. Jean, *b.* 27th March, 1707.
2. JAMES, *b.* 6th June, 1708, of whom hereafter.
3. Alexander, *b.* 5th March, 1721; *d.* an infant.
4. Alexander, *b.* 20th May, 1722.
5. Anna, *b.* 28th June, 1726.

III. JAMES LAMB (1708-1782).

James Lamb, *b.* 6th June, 1708; *m.* about 1731, Margaret Elmslie (*d.* after 1745); *d.* 6th Nov., 1782. He was a Tailor in Hardgate, Aberdeen, and was admitted an Elder for the Crooked Quarter of St. Nicholas Parish, Aberdeen, 24th July, 1780. Burgess of Guild, 4th Sept., 1761. Their family consisted of:—

1. James, *b.* 20th May, 1732; *m.* Sophia Mitchell (*b.* about 1732; *d.* 28th April, 1822); *d.* 30th May, 1818. He was a Tailor.
2. Janet, *b.* 24th Nov., 1734; *m.* 9th Oct., 1766, William Harper, Farmer, Bridge of Dee.
3. JOHN, *b.* 17th Feb., 1737, of whom hereafter.
4. Alexander, *b.* 13th April, 1740; *m.* 30th April, 1764, Elspet Sim, (*b.* about 1740; *d.* 5th Jan., 1781), daughter of John Sim, Farmer, Peterhead; *d.* 18th Dec., 1774. Their family consisted of:—

- (1) Christian, *b.* 19th Feb., 1765; *m.* 28th March, 1782, John Taylor (*b.* about 1750; *d.* 23rd Sept., 1830), Tailor, and



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Church Warden and Elder, 1795, Aberdeen ; *d.* 1st March, 1822. Their family consisted of:

- i. Helen, *b.* 31st Jan., 1784, and baptised by Rev. Dr. Shaw (one of the Ministers of St. Nicholas, 1783-94, and Moderator of the General Assembly, 1786), before John Lamb, Wright, and John Davidson, Advocate ; *d.* 8th May, 1827.
- ii John, *b.* 19th May, 1788, and baptised by Rev. George Abercrombie, M.A. (one of the Ministers of St. Nicholas, 1772-90), before James Clark, late Convener, and John Lamb, both Tailors.
- iii. Elizabeth, *b.* 1791 ; *m.* David Anderson, Shipmaster ; *d.* 12th Dec., 1820.
- iv. Janet, *b.* 9th March, 1793, and baptised by Rev. Dr. Shirrefs (one of the Ministers of St. Nicholas, 1779-1814, Moderator of the General Assembly, 1807, and great-grandfather of Emeritus-Professor Sir Alexander Ogston, K.C.V.O., M.D., LL.D., D.L., of Glendavan, and of Mrs. Cowan, wife of the Rev. Professor Cowan, D.D., D.C.L., who was himself in the ministry of the West Parish of St. Nicholas, 1869-73), before Robert Leask and William Dawson, Tailors ; *d.* 25th Feb., 1854.
- v. Euphemia, *b.* 20th March, 1795, and baptised by Rev. Robert Doig (one of the Ministers of St. Nicholas, 1812-24), before William Sang, Baker, and William Copland, Turner.
- vi. Margaret, *b.* 24th May, 1797, and baptised by Rev. Robert Doig, before William Sang, Baker, and Alexander Ross, Merchant.
- vii. Jane, *b.* 1799 ; *d.* 7th May, 1876.
- viii. Christian, *b.* 1804 ; *m.* William Stewart, Engineer ; *d.* 19th June, 1861, at Southampton. Their family consisted of:—
  - (i.) Rachel Todd, and (ii.) Robert Simmie, who died in infancy.

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- (2) James, *b.* 29th Sept., 1766.  
 (3) John, *b.* 16th June, 1768. (4) Alexander, *b.* 10th July, 1770.  
 5. George, *b.* 3rd Feb., 1745; *m.* 21st Aug., 1770, Isobel Burnet.  
 He was a Farmer at Foulmuir, Oldmachar.

### IV. JOHN LAMB (1737-1823).

John Lamb, *b.* 17th Feb., 1737; *m.* (1st) 3rd Dec., 1771, Janet Ferguson (*b.* 1749; *d.* 22nd April, 1797), second daughter of Thomas Ferguson, Wright and Elder, Putachyside, Aberdeen, of whom before (page 85); *m.* (2nd) 1st April, 1798, Christian Hill (*b.* 20th Aug., 1750); *d.* 10th Aug., 1836), elder daughter of Hercules Hill, Woolcomber, Aberdeen, and great-great-grandmother of Rev. James Smith, of whom before (page 23); *d.* 24th March, 1823. He was a Wright, and an Elder (1798-1823) in St. Nicholas Parish, first with Rev. John Bryce, M.A., of Belmont Chapel of Ease, and afterwards in the South Parish Church, Aberdeen. Burgess of Guild, 3rd Nov., 1770. His family, all by his first marriage, consisted of:—

1. Thomas, *b.* 30th Sept., 1772.
2. James, *b.* 29th Aug., 1774. Student in Tertian Class, Marischal College, 1791-2.
3. John, *b.* 8th June, 1776.      4. Alexander, *b.* 3rd May, 1778.
5. Bryce Andrew, *b.* 25th May, 1780; *d.* 31st Dec., 1781.
6. Bryce Andrew Adam, *b.* 27th April, 1782. Student in Tertian Class, Marischal College, 1798-9.
7. George, *b.* 9th Oct., 1784; *d.* 1830, at Ballarim, East Indies. Educated at Aberdeen Grammar School in the class with Lord Byron, 1796-7. M.A., Marischal College, 1801, and M.D., 1824. He was a Superintending Surgeon in the H.E.I.C.S., and amassed a fortune of £30,000, which he lost, all but £6000, on the failure of the Allahabad Bank, of which he was a Director. He made his nephew and niece, George and Jane Lamb, his heirs.
8. Helen, *b.* 3rd Jan., 1787; *m.* (1st) 15th June, 1805, John Walker, Shipmaster, Aberdeen; *m.* (2nd) John Case, of Sheerness; *d.* Sept. 1825.
9. Elizabeth, *b.* 18th May, 1789.

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10. DAVIDSON FERGUSON JOSEPH FRANCIS, *b.* 19th Sept., 1793, of whom hereafter.

V. DAVIDSON FERGUSON JOSEPH FRANCIS LAMB (1793-1861).

Davidson Ferguson Joseph Francis Lamb, *b.* 19th Sept., 1793; *m.* 27th Dec., 1820, Jane Cooper (*b.* 1801; *d.* 9th June, 1836), daughter of Adam Cooper, Farmer, West Craigton, Peterculter; *d.* 10th Oct., 1861. He was a Wright and House Proprietor in Aberdeen. Their family consisted of:—

1. Christian, *b.* 27th Oct., 1821; *m.* Alexander Adam, Slater, Aberdeen; *d.* 3rd Dec., 1845.
2. Agnes, *b.* 19th Jan., 1823; *d.* 18th Dec., 1837.
3. JANE, *b.* 9th Sept., 1833; *m.* 28th Dec., 1852, Walter Reid, (*b.* 6th Jan., 1827; *d.* 21st July, 1908), Merchant and Farmer, Portsoy; *d.* 15th June, 1878, of whom hereafter.
4. George, *b.* 29th Jan., 1836; *m.* Agnes Law, daughter of Rev. William Law, Minister of Portlethen Parish, who died 11th Jan., 1870, in his 73rd year; *d.* 25th Dec., 1910. He was educated at Robert Gordon's Hospital, at Dunkeld, at Old Aberdeen Gymnasium, and at King's College. He was an Accountant abroad and in Aberdeen. Their family consisted of George, who died a youth.

VI. JANE LAMB OR REID (1833-1878).

Jane Lamb, *b.* 9th Sept., 1833; *m.* 28th Dec., 1852, Walter Reid (*b.* 6th Jan., 1827; *d.* 21st July, 1908), Merchant and Farmer, Portsoy; *d.* 15th June, 1878. He was born at Swailend, Deskford. He was in the Exchequer Office, Edinburgh, and later became a General Merchant, Portsoy. Inspector of Poor and Elder, Fordyce Parish. Elder in John Knox Parish, Aberdeen. Their family consisted of:—

1. Joseph Ferguson Lamb, *b.* 3rd Sept., 1854; *m.* August, 1884, Kate, daughter of William Wyatt, C.E., Ellsmere, Salop. He is a Warehouseman (retired), New Jersey, U.S.A. Their family consists of four sons and two daughters.
2. John, *b.* 20th Aug., 1856. M.A., 1877, and M.D., 1886, Aberdeen University. He is in practice, in London.

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3. WALTER ALEXANDER, *b.* 14th April, 1859, of whom hereafter.
4. Adam, *b.* 19th Feb., 1861; *m.* Jessie, daughter of Mr. Roberts, Farmer, Victoria; *d.* 21st Aug., 1912. He was a Cabinet-maker, Melbourne. His family consists of one son and two daughters.
5. Robert Smith, *b.* 28th Feb., 1862; *m.* Elsie, daughter of Alexander Watt, Farmer, Lintmill, Portsoy. He is a Merchant in Trinidad, and owns Plantations in Tobago, British West Indies. Their family consists of:—
  - (1) Kenneth, *b.* 15th Sept., 1892.
  - (2) Dorothy.
  - (3) Alan, *b.* 4th Jan., 1897.
6. William Alexander, *b.* 14th Feb., 1864; *m.* 24th Sept., 1894, Jane, daughter of James Hay, Farmer, South Ythsie, Tarves, and niece of Sir John Hay, K.C.M.G., LL.D., Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, New South Wales, 1862-5, and President, 1873-92, who died 20th Jan., 1892. M.A., 1885, Aberdeen University. Minister of the Presbyterian Church, Port Dalhousie, Canada. Missionary of the Church of Scotland, Poona, India, 1904. Minister of West Maybole, 1905. Minister of Greenhill Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, U.S.A., 1911. Author of "Christian Prayer" (1905); "In the Clutches of the Cardinal" (1911), &c.
7. George Lamb, *b.* 18th Sept., 1865; *d.* 22nd June, 1867.
8. James, *b.* 4th Oct., 1867; *d.* an infant.
9. Alexander, *b.* 23rd Sept., 1869; *m.* 29th April, 1896, Edith Mary, only daughter of Robert Harrison, Farmer, Plas Coch, Wrexham. Member of the Institute of Mining Engineers, and of the Institute of Civil Engineers. Fellow of the Geological Society, London. He is in practice in London.
10. James George Smith, *b.* 25th April, 1873; *d.* 22nd Sept., 1876.
11. David, *b.* and *d.* 21st Aug., 1876.
12. Herbert William Bell, *b.* 20th Jan., and *d.* 20th May, 1878.

### VII. WALTER ALEXANDER REID (1859).

Walter Alexander Reid, *b.* 14th April, 1859; *m.* 24th Oct., 1888, Jessie Emslie Cook, eldest daughter of Charles Cook, Merchant, Aber-







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deen. He is a C.A., F.F.A., and J.P., Aberdeen, and resides at Woodbank, Cults. Elder, West Parish Church. Their family consists of:—

1. Charles, *b.* 16th December, 1889. M.A., Aberdeen University, 1909. He is a Chartered Accountant.
2. James Meston, *b.* 10th Feb., 1891. He studied at Aberdeen University.
3. Walter Alexander, *b.* 30th Oct., 1892. He studied Agriculture at Aberdeen University.
4. Stephen, *b.* 19th June, 1894; *d.* 10th Aug., 1895.
5. Edward Birnie, *b.* 14th Sept., 1896. He is at Aberdeen Grammar School.

Mrs. Reid's sisters are married as follows:—Mary Maggie, now Mrs. John Reid, Monaltrie, Alford; Elsie Jane, now Mrs. Patrick Strachan, Easttown, Tarland; Helen Agnes (now deceased) was Mrs. John Reid, Cromley Bank, Ellon; Alice Maud, now Mrs. Alfred Reid, Hillhead, Ellon; and Eliza Euphemia, now the wife of Major Harry Forbes, D.S.O., Greystone, Tullynessle, Alford. Her brothers are Charles (now deceased); Thomas Nicol, Waterside of Slains, Newburgh; John Nicol, and Robert Sellar, of the Firm of Barry, Henry, & Co., Ironfounders, Aberdeen and London.

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(STRICHEN, 1682- )

[This Family is related to the Family of Thomson (page 71), through Barbara Thomson, daughter of Alexander Thomson, whose Great-Great-Granddaughter, Jane Taylor, married Alexander Simpson, Advocate, Aberdeen.]

### I. JOHN SIMPSON (1682-1761).

John Simpson, *b.* 1682; *m.* 10th July, 1733, Isobel Morrice (*b.* 1711; *d.* 18th March, 1742), daughter of Arthur Morrice, Farmer, Hawkhill, Strichen, and an Elder; *d.* 31st March, 1761. He was a Farmer at Mains of Kindrought, Strichen, 1720-61, and an Elder in Strichen, 1748-61. Their family consisted of:—

1. ARTHUR, *b.* 26th July, 1734, of whom hereafter.
2. Margaret, *b.* 9th July, 1737; *d.* 8th Dec., 1808.

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### II. ARTHUR SIMPSON (1734-1815).

Arthur Simpson, *b.* 26th July, 1734; *m.* February, 1763, Margaret Farquhar (*b.* 31st March, 1735; *d.* 21st March, 1821), younger daughter of John Farquhar, Farmer, Auchoch, New Deer, and Janet Reid, and formerly Farmer in Denend, Strichen; *d.* 3rd March, 1815. He was a Farmer at Mains of Kindrought, Strichen, and an Elder in Strichen for 33 years. Their family consisted of:—

1. William, *b.* 16th June, 1764. He was a Farmer at Mains of Kindrought.
2. Jean, *b.* 5th March, 1767; *d.* 24th March, 1807.
3. Margaret, *b.* 20th May, 1769; *d.* 17th Nov., 1815.
4. John, *b.* 24th May, 1771. He was a Farmer at Elrick, Deer.
5. Isobel, *b.* 13th March, 1773; *m.* James Trail, Farmer, Mill of Bruxie; *d.* 1st Sept., 1827. Her epitaph in Strichen Churchyard contains these lines:—

*"I hope to sing without a sob  
The anthem ever new,  
I gladly bid the dusty globe  
And vain delights adieu."*

6. Janet, *b.* 1st June, 1775; *m.* William Murray (*b.* 1770; *d.* 17th July, 1858), Farmer, Mill of Bruxie, Old Deer; *d.* 3rd March, 1854. Their family consisted of:—
  - (1) Margaret, *b.* 1810; *d.* 24th Jan, 1883.
  - (2) John, *b.* 1812; *d.* 5th Jan., 1895.
  - (3) Agnes, *b.* 1816; *d.* 14th June, 1896.
  - (4) William, *b.* 1819; *d.* 9th Feb., 1897.
7. ALEXANDER, *b.* 16th April, 1778, of whom hereafter.

Other members of John Farquhar's family, besides Margaret above named, were William Farquhar (*b.* 1743; *m.* 22nd Aug., 1776, Margaret Johnston—afterwards wife of Rev. William Paterson of Slains—sister of Rev. William Johnston, of Monquhitter, 1727-53, who died 14th May, 1778), who was Schoolmaster of Monquhitter, Auchterless and Elgin, Minister of Skene, 1775-6, and Minister of the West Parish, Aberdeen, 1776-8, as Colleague to Principal George Campbell, D.D. Her nephew, Rev. Alexander Farquhar, M.A., was Minister of



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Pitsligo, 1803-34, whose daughter Ann was married to James B. Spottiswood, of Muiresk, Advocate, and whose son, Rev. William Farquhar, was Minister of Forglen, 1843-45, while his daughter Elizabeth Farquhar, married Major James Craigie, H.E.I.C.S., and other three of his sons were Thomas Farquhar, M.D., H.E.I.C.S., Alexander Farquhar, a Surgeon, and Robert Spottiswood Farquhar, an Advocate in Aberdeen. The above John Farquhar had also a cousin, John Farquhar, who was a Proctor in Doctor's Commons, London, who was for 16 years M.P. for the Burghs of Aberdeen, Bervie, Montrose, etc., and who bought the Estates of Inverbervie and Johnston, Kincardineshire. John Farquhar's only sister, Rachel Susan, was mother of Alexander Gibbon, Advocate, Aberdeen.

#### III. ALEXANDER SIMPSON (1778-1852).

Alexander Simpson, *b.* 16th April, 1778; *m.* 1st Aug., 1811, Agnes Margaret Youngson (*b.* 17th Feb., 1785; *d.* 22nd Dec., 1874), daughter of the Rev. Andrew Youngson, M.A., Minister of Aberdour, Aberdeenshire, 1766-1809, and Agnes Anderson, of whom before (page 83); *d.* 3rd May, 1852. M.A., Marischal College, 1797. Schoolmaster (*locum tenens*), Strichen, 1794-6, and at Stonehaven, June, 1801—May, 1802. Master in Robert Gordon's Hospital, 1802-7. Minister of Strichen, 1807-52. Their family consisted of:—

1. Arthur, *b.* 8th June, 1813; *d.* 10th Feb., 1838. M.A., Marischal College, 1830. Student of Divinity, 1830-5. Master in Robert Gordon's Hospital, 1831-8. He was a young man of great promise.
2. Agnes, *b.* 1st Feb., 1815; *m.* 17th Jan., 1843, David Kerr, M.D. (*b.* 28th June, 1805; *d.* 3rd Jan., 1878), son of William Kerr, Farmer, Glenbervie; *d.* 28th Jan., 1896. Dr. Kerr was M.A., Marischal College, 1826; M.D., King's College, Aberdeen, 1841, and Surgeon, and Lecturer on Clinical Surgery, Aberdeen Royal Infirmary. He was an Elder, West Parish Church. Their family consisted of:—

- (1) David Arthur, *b.* 19th Nov., 1843; *d.* 5th Aug., 1875. M.B., C.M., Aberdeen University, 1865. Assistant Surgeon, Indian Medical Service (Madras), 1st April,

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- 1867; resigned 31st March, 1868. Accidentally drowned at Millport, Island of Greater Cumbrae, Buteshire.
- (2) Alexander, *b.* 24th May, 1845; *d.* 3rd June, 1872. He was a Clergyman of the Church of England, and died at Rockferry, Cheshire.
- (3) Agnes Margaret, *b.* 24th Oct., 1846; *d.* 25th Aug., 1864.
- (4) George William, *b.* 4th May, 1848; *d.* 19th July, 1894.
- (5) Robert Forbes, *b.* 21st Feb., 1850.
- (6) Emily, *b.* 23rd Aug., 1851; *d.* 17th Dec., 1852.
- (7) James Robertson, *b.* 4th March, 1853; *d.* 4th July, 1910.
- (8) Emily Elizabeth. She resides at Torphins.
- (9) Alice Helen, *b.* 21st Oct., 1855; *d.* 3rd July, 1856.
3. Margaret, *b.* 29th Dec., 1818; *m.* 21st Aug., 1855, Rev. James Forsyth, D.D. (*b.* 25th Feb., 1796; *d.* 29th Jan., 1879), Minister of the West Parish of St. Nicholas, Aberdeen, 1843-79, as his second wife. Dr. Forsyth was married (1st) to Elizabeth Brown (*b.* 1808; *d.* 28th Jan., 1854), by whom he had a family consisting of four sons and two daughters.
4. Andrew, *b.* 1st Sept., 1820; *d.* Feb., 1821.
5. ALEXANDER, *b.* 27th Dec., 1822, of whom hereafter.

### IV. ALEXANDER SIMPSON (1822-1900).

Alexander Simpson, *b.* 27th Dec., 1822; *m.* 28th Sept., 1855, Jane, Taylor; *d.* 17th Feb., 1900, of whom before (page 72).

## THE FAMILY OF TYTLER

(MIDMAR, 1606- )

[This Family is related to the Family of Wallace (page 80), through John Imray, who married Barbara Tytler.]

### I. ALEXANDER TYTLER (1606-1690).

Alexander Tytler, *b.* 1606; *m.* before 1646, Margaret Martin (*b.* about 1606; *d.* 16th June, 1681); *d.* 25th March, 1690. He was a Farmer at Milltown of Corsindae, Midmar, Aberdeenshire. Their family consisted of:—

1. JAMES, *b.* 1646, of whom hereafter.

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### II. JAMES TYTLER (1646-1736).

James Tytler, *b.* 1646; *m.* about 1679, Jean Middleton (*b.* 1654; *d.* 17th Feb., 1727); *d.* 20th Feb., 1736. He was a Farmer at Milltown of Corsindae. Their family consisted of:—

1. John, *b.* 1680; *m.* 19th May, 1701, Barbara Skene (*b.* 4th July, 1676; *d.* 22nd Nov., 1723), fifth daughter of John Skene (1656-80), Laird of Skene, and Jean Burnett, granddaughter of Sir Thomas Burnett, Bart., of Leys; *d.* 23rd Jan., 1762. He was a Merchant in Aberdeen, and later a Farmer at Milltown of Corsindae and in Gallery, Midmar. Burgess of Guild, Aberdeen, 17th Sept., 1700. Their family consisted of:—

- (1) Alexander *b.* 15th Jan., 1702, and baptised by Rev. Thomas Blackwell, D.D., one of the Ministers of Aberdeen, 1700-11, and later Professor of Divinity in Marischal College, before Sir Alexander Skene of that Ilk, Alexander Orem present Baillie, Alexander Caddell younger of Aswanly, Alexander Ker of Menie, late Baillie, and James Tytler in Milltown of Corsindae, presenter of the child—Godfathers.
- (2) James, *b.* 16th Aug., 1703, and baptised by Rev. William Blair, D.D., one of the Ministers of Aberdeen, 1680-1716, before James Burnett of Monboddo, Mr. James Moir, Regent in Marischal College, James Fyffe, Merchant, Mr. Andrew Burnet, one of the Ministers of Aberdeen, Alexander Ker of Menie, late Baillie, and John Strachan younger, Merchant, present Master of the Guild Hospital—Godfathers. He was a Farmer at Milltown of Corsindae, and was alive 12th April, 1754, when he signed an Inventory.
- (3) John, *b.* 1712; *d.* 20th Sept., 1728.
- (4) HARY, *b.* 1715, of whom hereafter.
- (5) William, *b.* 27th May, 1720; *m.* before 1759, Helen Christie (*b.* about 1725; *d.* 29th Jan., 1788); *d.* 9th Feb., 1794. He was a Farmer at Seats and at Kincraigie, Tough. Their family consisted of:—

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- i. William, *b.* 10th July, 1759; *m.* Elizabeth Mackay (*b.* 1766; *d.* 19th May, 1842); *d.* 30th Jan., 1836. He was a Farmer at Knockando, Leochel-Cushnie, Aberdeenshire. Their family consisted of:—  
(i.) Robert. (ii.) Helen. (iii.) Margaret. (iv.) Ann.
- ii. Robert, *b.* 25th Oct., 1761.
- iii. Helen, *b.* 8th May, 1766.
- iv. Margaret, *b.* 13th Feb., 1768; *d.* 11th April, 1792.
2. William, *b.* 1690; *m.* 11th Aug., 1722, Elizabeth Clark (*b.* 1694; *d.* 24th Nov., 1765); *d.* 28th March, 1758. He was a Farmer at Little Corsindae, Carnday, and last at Waulkmill of Corsindae. Their family consisted of:—  
(1) John, *b.* 11th July, 1723; *m.* before 1775; *d.* 7th July, 1797. He was a Farmer at Pittenkerie, Tough. Their family consisted of:—  
i. Barbara, *b.* 1775; *d.* 20th Jan., 1802.  
(2) Alexander, *b.* 3rd Oct., 1725.  
(3) Helen, *b.* 16th May, 1728.  
(4) Jean, *b.* 5th Aug., 1730; *m.* 2nd Dec., 1753, Charles Law.  
(5) Agnes, *b.* 20th March, 1733.
3. James Tytler, *b.* 1697; *m.* before 1719, Mary Smith (*d.* after 1724); *d.* 2nd April, 1758. He was a Farmer at Milltown of Corsindae. Their family consisted of:—  
(1) Elizabeth, *b.* 5th May, 1719.  
(2) William, *b.* 9th Feb., 1722.  
(3) Arthur, *b.* 30th April, 1724; *m.* 1st Nov., 1755, Jean Barron, Skene (*d.* after 1732); *d.* after 1732. He was a Farmer at Mains and later at Milltown of Corsindae, and an Elder in Midmar, 1775-1797. Their family consisted of:—  
i. George, *b.* 22nd March, 1757; *m.* before 1802, Isabella Gerard (*b.* 1770; *d.* 24th April, 1842), sister of the Rev. John Gerard (*b.* 12th Sept., 1765; *d.* 9th Oct., 1850), Minister of South Ronaldshay, 1815-1850, of whom hereafter; *d.* 1st June, 1832, the same day and at the very hour his son John



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was buried. He was a Farmer at Milltown of Corsindae. Their family consisted of:—

- (i.) William, *b.* 28th May, 1807; *m.* 12th March, 1846, Elizabeth Leith (*b.* 1817; *d.* 5th April, 1878), daughter of Peter Leith (*b.* 1788; *d.* 28th Jan., 1866), Farmer, Kirkhill, Midmar, and Jean Gellan (*b.* 1792; *d.* 24th March, 1854); *d.* 2nd Jan., 1874. He was a Farmer at Milltown of Corsindae, and was admitted an Elder, 27th April, 1851, and Treasurer, 14th May, 1854. Their family consisted of:—
    - a.* George, *b.* 25th March, 1847; *d.* 6th April, 1895. He was a Farmer at Muirtown of Corsindae, and was admitted an Elder, 15th July, 1883.
    - b.* Peter, *b.* 17th Feb., 1850; *m.* 12th June, 1889, Emily Neeld, daughter of John Neeld, Lichfield. M.B., C.M., Aberdeen University, 1872, with Highest Academical Honours. He is a Medical Practitioner in Manchester, and has been on the staff of the Ancoats Hospital since 1876. He contributes occasional articles to Medical Journals.
    - c.* Jane. She is tenant of Muirtown of Corsindae.
    - d.* Elizabeth, *m.* 8th Aug., 1878, James Moir, Farmer, East Banteith, Midmar. Their family consists of:—(*a.*) Elizabeth Leith. (*b.*) James. (*c.*) Mary Florence. (*d.*) John. (*e.*) Jane. (*f.*) Christian Leith.
  - (ii.) George, *b.* 29th June, 1809; *m.* 27th Aug., 1854, Mary Cruickshank (*b.* 1815; *d.* 23rd Jan., 1890), daughter of Alexander Cruickshank, Engineer, Aberdeen; *d.* 30th April, 1880. He was a Farmer at Muirtown of Corsindae.
  - (iii.) Isabella, *b.* 18th April, 1811; *d.* 5th July, 1884.
  - (iv.) John, *b.* 12th Jan., 1813; *d.* 27th May, 1832.
- ii. Robert, *b.* 19th April, 1759.

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- iii. Jean, *b.* 8th March, 1761. iv. William, *b.* 27th April, 1766.  
 (4) Mary, *b.* 20th April, 1727. (5) Adam, *b.* 26th April, 1729,  
 (6) Robert, *b.* 12th Jan., 1732; *m.* 27th June, 1765, Barbara  
 Tytler (*d.* 27th Feb., 1811); *d.* 23rd Jan., 1779. M.A.,  
 King's College, Aberdeen, 2nd April, 1752. Minister of  
 Stronsay and Eday, 1764. Their family consisted of:—  
 i. George, *b.* 29th March, 1767.  
 4. Robert, *b.* 1705; *m.* 1726, Jean Crombie; *d.* 3rd Dec., 1767.  
 He was a Farmer at Corsindae, and later at Milltown of  
 Learney. Their family consisted of:—  
 (1) Helen, *b.* 26th March, 1727.  
 (2) Christian, *b.* 22nd May, 1731; *m.* 21st June, 1760, John  
 Davidson, Farmer in Kincardine O'Neil parish.  
 5. Helen.

### III. HARY TYTLER (1715-1779).

Hary Tytler, *b.* 1715; *m.* 25th Nov., 1750, Anne Gordon, daughter  
 of Arthur Gordon of Carnousie, Marnoch, another of whose daughters,  
 Katherine (who died in 1753), married William Duff, of Corsindae; *d.* 11th  
 May, 1779. Burgess of Guild, Aberdeen, 13th March, 1742. He was  
 Merchant and Farmer at Milltown of Corsindae. His epitaph in Midmar  
 Churchyard reads:—"While he lived he maintained the amiable char-  
 acter of an honest man, sincere friend, and affectionate husband, an  
 indulgent parent, and by the blessing of Providence upon his honest  
 application to his business, he attained a competent fortune, the inheri-  
 tors of which deem it their duty to dedicate this to his memory." Their  
 family consisted of:—

1. Katharine, *b.* 14th Dec., 1751; *d.* an infant.
2. Margaret, *b.* 16th Aug., 1753; *m.* William Robertson, Mason,  
 Aberdeen. 3. Jean, *b.* 31st March, 1755; *d.* an infant.
4. Barbara, *b.* 10th July, 1757; *m.* 26th Aug., 1777, John Imray  
 (*b.* 1754; *d.* 1st Sept., 1806), Baker, Aberdeen, Burgess of  
 Guild, 9th Sept., 1777, and Deacon of the Baker Incorpora-  
 tion, 1788; *d.* 27th April, 1782. Their family consisted of:—  
 (1) George, *b.* 27th June, 1778.  
 (2) Christian, *b.* 29th Sept., 1779; *m.* John Birnie, Farmer,  
 New Mills. (3) John, *b.* 8th June, 1781.





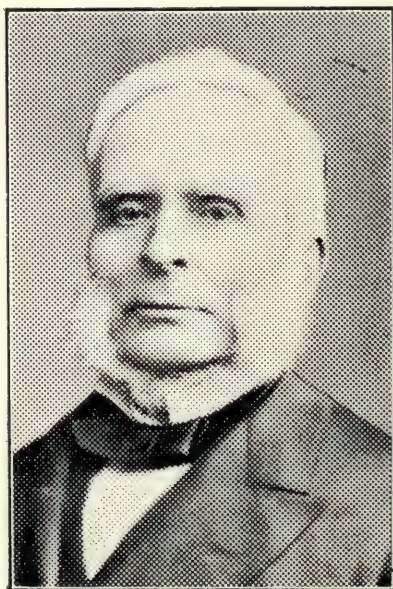
WILLIAM TYTLER, W.S.  
(1711-1792)  
Scottish Historian and Critic



ALEXANDER FRASER TYTLER  
(1747-1813)  
Lord Woodhouselee



REV. ALEXANDER GERARD, M.A., LL.D.  
(1811-1880)  
Mathematical Master, Gordon's Hospital



ROBERT GERARD  
(1820-1912)  
Silk Mercer



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After the death of his first wife, John Imray married (2nd), 16th Aug., 1783, Celia Donald (*d.* 25th Jan., 1744), daughter of Mr. Donald, of Brownhill, Kintore, by whom he had the following family :—

- (1) Barbara, *b.* 14th July, 1784; *m.* 24th Dec., 1812, John Wallace (*b.* 20th April, 1779), Baker, Aberdeen, of whom before (page 81), and great-grand-uncle of Rev. James Smith, B.D., of St. George's-in-the-West Parish, Aberdeen. Their family consisted of :—
    - i. Celia, *b.* 25th Jan., 1813.
    - ii. John, *b.* 29th Aug., 1815.
  - (2) Robert, *b.* 14th Jan., 1786; *d.* 12th Jan., 1787.
  - (3) Jean, 16th July, 1788; *d.* 24th Feb., 1812.
  - (4) William, *b.* 16th Feb., 1793.
  - (5) Ann, *b.* 1799; *m.* 28th June, 1821. George Simpson, Druggist, Aberdeen, son of Peter Simpson, Merchant, and Burgess of Guild, 1792; *d.* 7th July, 1826, at Kebbaly, Midmar. George Simpson, who was a Burgess of Guild, 1814, had a brother William, who died 12th Dec., 1844, in St. John's, Newfoundland, and who was formerly Precentor in the West Parish Church, and Music Master in Gordon's Hospital, the masters and scholars of which worshipped then in the West Gallery of the West Church. The latter was a Burgess of Guild, 1821.
5. Jean, *b.* 31st March, 1762; *d.* an infant.
  6. George, *b.* 11th July, 1763; *d.* an infant.
  7. James, *b.* 24th July, 1765; *d.* an infant.

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This family of Tytler seems to have been a prominent and prolific family, not in Midmar only, but elsewhere. According to Alexander Tytler (father of William Tytler, the eminent Scottish Historian), who wrote a Memorandum of the Family in 1728, his grandfather, who died in 1690, aged 84 years, had it from his father that the family surname was formerly Seaton, and that they lived on the lands of Lord George Seaton, a predecessor of the Earls of Winton.

“Mention is made particularly of three brothers—says Alexander Tytler, one of whom as being related to the family was by the above

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Lord George made his Chaplain, and with him all the three brothers went out to the Battle of Flodden, 9th Sept., 1513. Two of them were slain along with Lord George, but the clergyman escaped, and lurking for some time about the English Border had the good fortune to be there provided with a Living; but unhappily contracting an acquaintanceship with a gentleman of the name of Gray, and being by him invited to a Hunting Match, a difference arose between them and he killed Gray.

"After this accident, being apprehensive of his danger, he withdrew to France, and concealing his name of Seaton, took that of Tytler, which appears to have been a surname at that time; and indeed many ages before, as is evident from a Charter extant of Robert, Earl of Strathern, Steward of Scotland, in the first year of David Bruce, bearing the date 1364 years, which among witnesses is subscribed by one John de Tytloure, Esquyre. The above Seaton, when he fled to France, probably took the name of Tytler as being related or allied with some of the original name and family of the Tytlers, but it is not from them but from Seaton that the present Tytlers of our family are descended.

"Seaton the Clergyman, now Tytler, after staying some time near Paris, was by the interest of some Scotchmen there provided in a Living, which he enjoyed but a short time, as he lost it by marrying a French woman, by whom he got some money, and retiring to Calais he there had several sons and daughters.

"In the year 1561, two of his sons came to Scotland attending Queen Mary, in one of the ships that conveyed her to Leith, and continuing firm to her cause were engaged in the skirmish that happened at Corrichie between the Earls of Moray and Huntly, where the latter was killed and his two sons—Lord Gordon and his brother Adam—taken prisoners, and Lord Gordon was afterwards beheaded at Aberdeen.

"At the above-mentioned skirmish at Corrichie, one of the Tytlers was killed. The other retired to a place called Learney, near Kincardine O'Neil, about 15 or 16 miles west of Aberdeen, where he settled and married and had several children, who after living for some time in that country removed to Carsonday (Corsindae), where the name multiplied pretty much, and in that country a good many are yet

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extant. It is from that Tytler that my father and grandfather are lineally descended." (*Alexander Tytler, Edinburgh, 1728.*)

The following are some other members of the Tytler Family, but the facts do not support the above Memorandum in suggesting that Alexander Tytler was a son of John Tytler and Barbara Skene. Their son Alexander was born in 1702, and not in 1678.

Alexander Tytler, *b.* 1st Jan., 1678; *m.* 22nd Nov., 1703, Jane, daughter of William Leslie (*b.* 17th Jan., 1642), Merchant, Aberdeen, and great-grand-daughter of Sir Patrick Leslie, of Iden, King-Edward, Lord Provost of Aberdeen, 1634, who was knighted in 1651 by Charles II. on his visit to Aberdeen, and who was M.P. for Aberdeen in several Scottish Parliaments. Laird of Woodhouselee, near Edinburgh. He was said to be (but was not) a grandson of Alexander Tytler (1606-1690), of Milltown of Corsindae (page 98), and was a W.S., Edinburgh. Their family consisted of twelve children, of whom only four reached maturity.

William Tytler (son of Alexander Tytler, before mentioned), *b.* 12th Oct., 1711; *m.* Sept., 1745, Anne, daughter of James Craig, W.S., of Costerton, Midlothian; *d.* 12th Sept., 1792. He was the eighth child of his parents. Educated at High School and University of Edinburgh. W.S., 1744. His portrait was painted by Raeburn. He was an eminent Scottish Historian and Critic, and an acute vindicator of Mary, Queen of Scots. Dr. Johnson visited him and associated with him in Edinburgh in 1773, during his Tour to the Hebrides with Boswell. He had a family of eight children, of whom four predeceased him.

Alexander Fraser Tytler (son of William Tytler, before mentioned), *b.* 4th Oct., 1747; *m.* 1776, Anne, eldest daughter of William Fraser, of Balnain; *d.* 5th Jan., 1813. Advocate, 1770. Professor of Civil History, Edinburgh University, 1780. Judge Advocate of Scotland, 1790. Lord of Session—Lord Woodhouselee, 2nd Feb., 1802. Judge of the Justiciary Court, 1811. An eminent Author and Judge.

Patrick Fraser Tytler (youngest son of Lord Woodhouselee), *b.* 30th Aug., 1791; *m.* (1st) 30th March, 1826, Rachel Elizabeth, second daughter of Thomas Hog, of Kirkliston, who died 15th April, 1835; *m.* (2nd) 12th Aug., 1845, Anastasia, daughter of Thomas Bonar, of Camden Place, Kent; *d.* 24th Dec., 1849, and buried in the family vault in Greyfriars Churchyard, Edinburgh. Eminent Scottish Historian,



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and friend of Sir Walter Scott. The Fraser Tytlers of Aldourie, Inverness, are members of this family. Further details of the Tytlers will be found in the *Transactions of the Royal Society of Edinburgh*, 1796, to which Sir Henry Mackenzie (Author of *The Man of Feeling*), contributed a Memoir of William Tytler, and in Burgon's *Memoir of Patrick Fraser Tytler*, 1859.

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The Rev. John Gerard, *b.* 12th Sept., 1765; *m.* Jane Craig (*b.* 1764; *d.* 30th Jan., 1837), sister of Peter Craig, M.D., of West Indies; *d.* 9th Oct., 1850. He was the son, by a second marriage, of John Gerard, Farmer, Midmar and Crossley, Fetteresso (*d.* Sept., 1791), and Jane Jamieson (*d.* 17th Aug., 1814). John Gerard's family by his first marriage consisted of:—

1. Alexander, *b.* 1758; *m.* Jane Affleck (*d.* about Dec., 1833); *d.* 9th Sept., 1833, at Cotbank, Glenbervie. He was a Farmer. Their family consisted of Janet and Jane.
2. James, *m.* Sarah Blackhall (*d.* 17th Feb., 1816); *d.* March 1801. He was a Farmer, Tillyboy, Echt. Their family consisted of Margaret (Mrs. Shewan, Skene, who had a daughter), James (*d.* May, 1801), and Isabel (*b.* April, 1801).
3. Jane, *d.* 9th Sept., 1779, at Crossley, Fetteresso. By his second marriage, his family consisted of:—
  1. John, *b.* 12th Sept., 1765, of whom before and hereafter.
  2. George, *d.* Sept., 1832.
  3. Isabella, *b.* 1770; *m.* before 1802, George Tytler, Farmer, Milltown of Corsindae, of whom before (page 100).



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4. William, *b.* 1771; *d.* 27th Nov., 1861. He was a Brewer at Devanha, Aberdeen.

Cousins of the Rev. John Gerard, were the family of Robert Gerard, Farmer at Pityot and later at Tewel, Fetteresso, and then at Shannaburn, Maryculter, and Jean Lyall, of Mill of Glenbervie, whose family consisted of:—

1. Margaret, *b.* 10th Aug., 1809; *m.* 6th Sept 1855, Rev. Robert Fiddes, M.A. (*b.* 1800; *m.* (1st) 16th Oct., 1834, Janet Reith, youngest daughter of David Reith, Loirston, Nigg, who was born 1806, and died 18th Aug., 1853); *d.* 21st Jan., 1889. He was Minister of Kinellar, 1833-99, and Uncle of Mrs. John Rae Smith (page 50), and died 1st July, 1902. His family by his first wife consisted of:—

- (1) William and (2) Helen Ann, *d.* both in infancy.  
 (3) Janet Gerard, *b.* 1835; *d.* 20th Nov., 1851.  
 (4) Robert Elphinstone, *b.* 1837; *d.* 10th May, 1862.  
 (5) Alexander, *b.* 1839; *d.* 8th July, 1859.  
 (6) Helen Ann, *b.* 1844; *d.* 23rd Nov., 1861.

2. Alexander, *b.* 12th Aug., 1811; *d.* 23rd March, 1880. M.A., Marischal College, 1829. Licensed by Presbytery of Aberdeen, 6th Oct., 1835. Teacher of English in Robert Gordon's Hospital, Aberdeen, 1834, and of Arithmetic, 1838. "Having qualified," says Robert Anderson in his *History of Robert Gordon's Hospital*, "as a Naval Instructor, he left the Hospital in April, 1841; he served over a couple of years on men-of-war, going on a cruise to the Mediterranean in one of them; and he returned to Aberdeen in the end of 1843, when he was re-appointed

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Arithmetic Teacher in the Hospital, the post being vacant at the time. He continued to be Mathematical Teacher till 1878, when he retired on account of increasing years and failing strength. He received the degree of LL.D. from Aberdeen University in 1875, and, on his retirement from the Hospital in 1878, he was presented by a number of his old pupils and a few personal friends with his portrait, painted by Sir George Reid, P.R.S.A." As Mathematical Master, he succeeded the Rev. John Ogilvie, LL.D., Editor of the famous *Imperial Dictionary*, 1850, and Uncle of the celebrated quartette of brothers, all LL.D.'s, viz., George Ogilvie, Headmaster of George Watson's College, Edinburgh; Rev. Alexander Ogilvie, Headmaster of Gordon's Hospital; Joseph Ogilvie, Rector of Aberdeen Training College for Teachers; and Robert Ogilvie, H.M.C.I.S. Dr. Gerard was a man of considerable scientific skill, of musical ability, and of charming personality, and an attached and devoted friend of Alexander Cruickshank, LL.D., the accomplished son of John Cruickshank, LL.D., Professor of Mathematics in Marischal College, 1817-1860.

3. Jean, *b.* 29th June, 1813.
4. John. He was an Estate Manager, and died at Montago Bay, Jamaica, in 1848.
5. Robert, *b.* 30th Jan., 1820; *m.* 2nd Aug., 1853, Helen Catherine Fullarton (*b.* 12th March, 1830; *d.* 8th March, 1899), daughter of William Fullarton, Dundee; *d.* 12th Dec., 1912. He was a Silk Mercer in Aberdeen (George Lyall & Co.), succeeding his Uncle, Mr. Lyall. Elder, West Parish Church, 1861.

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A most courteous and gentlemanly man.  
Their family consisted of:—

- (1) John, *b.* 2nd March, 1859; *m.* 10th April, 1893, Kate Walker, Aberdeen; *d.* 8th April, 1902. M.A., Aberdeen University, 1880, with Honours in Science; M.B., C.M., 1883, with Honours; and M.D., 1887; M.R.C.P. He was Physician, North London Hospital for Consumption. The family consisted of:—

- i. Robert John Leslie, *b.* 25th Jan., 1894.  
He gained a Scholarship at Harrow,  
and is now at Cambridge University.

6. George, *b.* 22nd Nov., 1822; *d.* 9th May, 1900.  
He was a Merchant in New Zealand, and elsewhere.

The Rev. John Gerard was an Alumnus of Marischal College, Aberdeen, 1787-91. Schoolmaster of Durris, 1787. Licensed by Aberdeen Presbytery, 8th April, 1800. Assistant to Rev. Dr. Shirrefs, West Parish Church, Aberdeen, and *Locum Tenens* in Trinity Chapel. Ordained by Presbytery of North Isles as Assistant to Rev. Walter Traill, of Ladykirk, and to Sanday, 4th Sept., 1806. Minister of South Ronaldshay, St. Mary's, and Burray, 28th Sept., 1815—9th Oct., 1850. He was a very remarkable man. Many interesting letters descriptive of his life in the North are in the possession of his grand-niece, Miss Tytler, of Muirtown of Corsindae, Midmar; and not a few striking illustrations of his life and character will be found in Mackintosh's *Around the Orkney Peat Fires, Kirkwall*, 1905. His family consisted of:—

1. John, *b.* 21st April, 1799; *d.* 12th May, 1865.  
He studied at Marischal College, Aberdeen, 1815-9, was a Licentiate of the Church of

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Scotland in 1824, and frequently assisted his father, especially in his later years.

2. Jane, *b.* about 1800; *m.* 4th Jan., 1825, David Sutherland, Farmer, South Ronaldshay, and had 13 children:—Jane, Mary, Harriet, Margaret, who all died unmarried—Susan, now Mrs. Morgan, Edinburgh—and William, John, James, David, who all died in Australia—William and Annie, who died in infancy—and George, who died recently in Edinburgh. A child, Peter, was born 7th July and died 18th July, 1835, of small-pox, which then swept the Island.
3. Sophia. 4. Mary, *m.* Dr. William Ballanden, Stromness, Orkney, and are both dead.
5. Susan, *m.* 18th Oct., 1827, Rev. James Anderson (*b.* 1773; *d.* 10th July, 1845), son of Thomas Anderson, Rafford, and Minister of Orphir, Orkney. Studied at Marischal College, Aberdeen, 1791-5. Master of Kirkwall Grammar School. Licensed by Presbytery of Kirkwall, 26th March, 1801. Ordained Assistant at Orphir, 24th Sept., 1807, and admitted Assistant and Successor to Rev. Francis Liddell, 23rd April, 1818. Her husband died after 1836. Their family consisted of:—
  - (1) Jane, *b.* 31st July, 1828.
  - (2) Margaret, *b.* 7th Nov., 1829.
  - (3) James, *b.* 6th Aug., 1831; *d.* 7th July, 1852.
  - (4) Susan Gerard, *b.* 13th Dec., 1832; *d.* 18th May, 1853.
  - (5) Jessie Sutherland, *b.* 16th Aug., 1834.
  - (6) John Gerard, *b.* 12th Feb., 1836; *d.* 17th Oct., 1911. He was M.A., King's College, 1854. I.S.O. Under-Secretary for Public Instruction, Queensland.







ALEXANDER WALKER, LL.D.  
(1825-1903)



WILLIAM WALKER  
(1798-1868)



JAMES WALKER  
(1829-1895)

WILLIAM WALKER AND TWO OF HIS SONS

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(ABERDEEN, 1745- )

#### I. JAMES WALKER (1745-1824)

James Walker, *b.* about 1745 at Strathdon; *m.* before 1792, Catherine Sutherland (*b.* about 1755; *d.* 24th March, 1835), a native of Caithness; *d.* Oct., 1824. Burgess of Guild, Old Aberdeen, April, 1820. He was a Weaver in Old Aberdeen. Their family consisted of:—

1. James, *b.* 8th Dec., 1792; *d.* 1818.
2. Alexander.
3. WILLIAM, *b.* 28th May, 1798, of whom hereafter.

#### II. WILLIAM WALKER (1798-1868).

William Walker, *b.* 28th May, 1798; *m.* 1820, Amelia Duthie (*b.* 18th Feb., 1800; *d.* 19th Sept., 1855); *d.* 1st Nov., 1868. He was a Wine and Tea Merchant, in George Street, and afterwards in Union Street, Aberdeen. Burgess of Old Aberdeen, 20th Oct., 1820, and of Aberdeen, 20th May, 1830. Elder, West Parish Church. Along with James Edmond, Advocate, father of late Alexander Edmond, Advocate, also a West Church Elder, William Walker shared the honour of being the only two West Church Elders who did not leave the Church of Scotland in 1843. Their family consisted of:—

1. Catherine, *b.* 2nd May, 1821; *m.* 14th June, 1855, Rev. James Rose Sutherland, M.A. (*b.* 17th March, 1811; *d.* 16th Feb., 1891), a native of Drainie, Morayshire, and Minister of Woodside, Aberdeen, 1846-49, and of Northmaven, Shetland, 1849-91; *d.* 16th March, 1888. Their family consisted of:—

- (1) Amelia Duthie, *b.* 4th Jan., 1859; *m.* 15th June, 1880, Rev. John Low Brown (*b.* 15th June, 1852), second son of James Brown, Farmer, Greystone, Keith-hall, Aberdeenshire, and Minister of Dallas, Morayshire; *d.* 4th Sept., 1901. Their family consisted of:—

- i. James Sutherland, *b.* 2nd May, 1881. He is in the Public Works Department, Northern Nigeria.

- i. Ian Alexander, *b.* 12th Jan. 1883; *m.* 7th Oct., 1911, Margarèt McCorquindale, of Glasgow. He is in an Insurance Office in Birmingham.

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- iii. Elizabeth Katherine, *b.* 21st May, 1884; *d.* 20th July, 1897.
- iv. Isobel Anne Walker.
- v. Robert Walker, *b.* 4th Jan. 1886. He is a Medical Doctor.
- vi. George Gordon, *b.* 19th Aug., 1890. He is in the Rubber Trade in Travancore.
- vii. Margaret Ballantyne.
- viii. Magnus, *b.* 28th Oct., 1894. He is a Student.
- ix. Dorothy Sophia. x. Sutherland, *b.* 29th Aug., 1901.
- (2) Margaret Rose, *b.* 13th April, 1861; *m.* 21st May, 1890, James Ballantyne, Insurance Manager, London, and son of Thomas Ballantyne, retired Teacher, Melrose; *d.* 29th Sept., 1891. They have a son.
2. William Mackie, *b.* 28th Oct., 1822; *d.* 19th Aug., 1824.
3. Alexander, *b.* 3rd March, 1825; *m.* 28th Aug., 1861, Jean Thomson Smith; *d.* 10th Feb., 1903, of whom before (page 52).
4. Isabel Anne. She resides with her brother, Dr. Robert Walker.
5. James, *b.* 6th July, 1829; *d.* 19th Jan., 1895. Educated at Aberdeen Grammar School. He was a Merchant in Aberdeen. Burgess of Guild, Aberdeen, 3rd Jan., 1854, and of Old Aberdeen, 25th March, 1868. A patron of Art and Music, a loyal and liberal-handed citizen, and a devoted friend. He bequeathed to Aberdeen Public Library a fine and extensive collection of Works upon Music and of John Ruskin's Works; and to Aberdeen Art Gallery four fine paintings,—masterpieces of Sir George Reid, *P.R.S.A.*, Herdman, Artz, and Mollinger. Author of "Form, Colour, Sound" (1875); "On Just Intonation in Song and in Speech" (1876); "Regarding the Proposed Municipal Band" (1878); and "On Pianos and Foreign Teachers" (1884).
6. A boy, who died an infant.
7. William, *b.* 28th Nov., 1832; *m.* 13th July, 1861, Jane Elizabeth Parke (*b.* 19th April, 1837; *d.* 12th April, 1905), youngest daughter of Major George Parke, 61st Regiment, Commissary-General of Ceylon; *d.* 10th Oct., 1893. Educated at Aberdeen



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Grammar School. M.A. Marischal College, Aberdeen, 1853; M.D. 1855, and LL.D., Aberdeen University, 1885. F.R.C.S. Inspector-General of Civil Hospitals, N.W.P. and Oudh, 1871; Deputy-Surgeon General, Bengal Medical Service, 1882; Honorary Physician to Queen Victoria, 1890. Awarded Good Service Pension, 1887. Their family consisted of:—

- (1) Amy Vivian, *b.* 18th May, 1862; *d.* 18th Oct., 1866.
- (2) William George, *b.* 28th May, 1863; *m.* February, 1907, Margaret Alice Elaine Molesworth, daughter of Judge H. Molesworth, Melbourne. Entered the Army, 1885; Captain, 1896; Major and Brevet Lieut.-Colonel, 1904. Served Miranzai, 1891 (Medal with Clasp), and Waziristan, 1894-5 (Clasp). He is now Colonel, 1st Battalion 4th Gúrkha Rifles, Indian Army. He gained the Victoria Cross, 1903, while Commanding the Bikanir Camel Corps in Somaliland, with which he served, 1902-4 (Medal with two Clasps).

The following is an account of how Colonel Walker gained his Victoria Cross:—"He was associated with Captain Rolland, V.C., in an act of conspicuous devotion and courage in saving the body of Captain Bruce during the fight at Daratoleh in the Somaliland Campaign on April 22, 1903. During the return of Major Gough's column to Danop, the rear-guard was left behind the rest of the column, and Captain Bruce was mortally wounded. They were almost surrounded by the enemy who were swarming in the bush, very thick at this part, and while a heavy fire was kept up against them, Captains Rolland and Walker (V.C.), with two men of the King's African Rifles, one Sikh, and one Somali of the Camel Corps, stood by the wounded officer to save him from falling into the enemy's hands, and from mutilation by the savages."—(*Wilkin's History of the Victoria Cross.*)

Their family consists of:—

- i. George Anthony Gilbert, *b.* 7th March, 1909.
- (3) Herbert Sutherland, *b.* 29th Sept., 1864; *m.* 13th Jan., 1908, Josephine Freeman, eldest daughter of his cousin, Mrs. Freeman, Murtle Den, Aberdeen. Lieutenant-Colonel (retired), Scottish Rifles, and now Chief Constable of Worcestershire. He served in two West African Campaigns,

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the Capture of Benin, and in Gold Coast Hinterland. For the first he received a Medal and for the second a Clasp, and a Brevet for each Campaign. Their family consists of:—

- i. Sybil Vivian, and ii. Richard, *b.* 8th April, 1911.
- (4) Janie Spicer. She is Hon. Secretary, Fresh Air and Medical Department, Church Army Headquarters, London.
- (5) Amy Vivian, *m.* 12th July, 1900, Gilbert Alexander Bannatyne, M.D., Bath.
8. Helen, *m.* 13th Nov., 1856, William Dunn, of Murtle, Advocate in Aberdeen, and son of John Dunn, Merchant, Aberdeen. Their family consists of:—
- (1) Anne Farquharson Carr, *m.* 27th Sept., 1882, William Robert Freeman, of Murtle Den, Aberdeen. Their family consists of six sons and two daughters.
9. John, *b.* 25th Oct., 1835; *m.* 16th Dec., 1854, Mary Ball Plummer (*b.* 28th May, 1835; *d.* 14th July, 1903), only daughter of Charles Plummer, Contractor, Melbourne. Educated at Aberdeen Grammar School. Burgess of Guild, 1876. He was a Mining and Railway Contractor. Their family consisted of:—
- (1) Amelia Mary. She lives in London.
  - (2) Mary. She lives in Durban, Natal.
  - (3) Isabel Anne, *m.* 6th Jan., 1881, Rev. Charles Stobie, M.A. (fifth son of Rev. Robert Stobie, M.A., Minister of Keiss, Caithness, and Lillas Thompson), Minister of Whalsay and the Skerries, Shetland, 1878-1910; Chaplain, Aberdeen Royal Infirmary and Asylum, 1910. Their family consists of:—
    - i. Mary Lillas.
    - ii. Charles Walker, *b.* 15th May, 1886. M.A., Edinburgh University, 1910. He is a Student of Divinity, Edinburgh.
    - iii. John Francis Robert, *b.* 13th July, 1894. He is an Arts Student, Aberdeen.
  - (4) Catharine Sutherland, *b.* 15th April, 1860; *d.* 12th March, 1874.
  - (5) Helen Dunn. She resides with her father in Aberdeen.





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- (6) Jane Smith, *b.* 9th Feb., 1864; *d.* 5th Jan., 1880.
- (7) Janie Parke, *b.* 27th July, 1865; *m.* 17th Sept., 1891, Rev. John Stephen Maver, M.A. (*b.* 10th Jan., 1853), Minister of the United Free High Church, Paisley, and son of David Maver, M.A., Teacher, Aberdeen; *d.* 31st Oct., 1895. Their family consisted of:—
- i. Mary, *b.* 25th July, 1892; *d.* an infant.
- (8) Janet Smith Gray Emily Lawrence Lee Octavia, *m.* 1st Nov., 1904, Rev. Philip Lathan Phelps, M.A., Cambridge, Vicar of Newlyn, Cornwall.
- (9) William, *b.* 17th Sept., 1868; *d.* 13th Jan., 1869.
- (10) John, *b.* 30th Oct., 1870; *m.* 10th Oct., 1893, Bessie Collard, Capetown. He is an Agent in London. Their family consists of:—
- i. John, *b.* 9th Aug., 1894.
- ii. Cameron Gordon, *b.* 21st May, 1898.
- (11) Thomas Mouat Cameron, *b.* 25th Sept., 1873; *m.* 18th June, 1901, Kate Cleghorn, of Capetown. He is a Manager in Bloemfontein. Their family consists of:—
- i. Kathleen Mavis.
- ii. Derek Cameron, *b.* 18th Jan., 1910.
- iii. Keith Alexander, *b.* 30th July, 1912.
- (12) Caroline Ball Agnes Elizabeth Jessie. She lives in Durban.
10. Amelia, *b.* 1st Jan., 1838; *d.* 11th Jan., 1856. She was a young lady of great beauty and of most winsome disposition.
11. Adam Buchan, *b.* 16th April, 1840; *d.* 2nd Feb., 1841.
12. George, *b.* 18th Feb., 1842; *m.* 24th Sept., 1885, Mary Murdoch, second daughter of William Murdoch, Solicitor, Huntly. Educated at Aberdeen Grammar School. M.A., 1861, Aberdeen University, and B.D., 1867, Edinburgh University. Minister of Castle-Douglas Parish, and Clerk to the Presbytery of Kirkcudbright. Their family consists of:—
- (1) George Robert, *b.* 30th Jan., 1887. He is a Lawyer.
13. Robert, *b.* 18th Feb., 1842. Educated at Aberdeen Grammar School. M.A., 1861, and LL.D., 1907, Aberdeen University. B.A. (15th Wrangler), Cambridge University, 1865; M.A.,

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1868. F.R.S.E., 1873. Fellow of Clare College, Cambridge, 1866-78. Examiner in Mathematics in Universities of Edinburgh, 1872-75, and Aberdeen, 1877-80. University Librarian, Aberdeen, 1877-93. Secretary, University Court, and Registrar and Clerk of the General Council, 1877-1907.

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(STRATHDON, 1734- )

[This Family is related to the Family of Chalmers (page 8), through Wilhelmina Chalmers, who married Captain Henry Walker, fourth son of William Walker.]

#### I. WILLIAM WALKER (1734-1815).

William Walker, *b.* 1734; *m.* before 1768, Elspet Ross; *d.* 1st May, 1815. He was a Farmer at Tamachloun, Strathdon, and after 1785 at Mains of Glenbuchat. Their family consisted of:—

1. James, *b.* 28th Aug., 1768.
2. John, *b.* 8th Feb., 1777; *d.* 25th April, 1805.
3. Alexander, *b.* 13th Jan., 1779; *m.* 6th Jan., 1807, Eliza Grant (*d.* 11th Jan., 1855), sister of Captain James Grant Duff, of Eden, Banffshire; *d.* 28th Jan., 1847. M.A., Marischal College, Aberdeen, 1798. Licensed by Presbytery of Fordyce, 26th Dec., 1804. Minister of Oldmachar, Second Charge, 1805-11. Translated 4th April, 1811, to Urquhart, Morayshire, by presentation of James, fifth Earl Fife, whose Tutor he had been. Translated to Elgin, Junior Charge, 6th Jan. 1825, becoming Senior Minister, 19th Sept., 1837. Re-translated to Urquhart, 23rd Sept., 1841. Their family consisted of:—

- (1) Margaret Helen, *b.* 1st. Jan., 1808; *m.* John Lawson, of Chapelton, Drumblade. Their family consisted of:—
  - i. Eliza, who married James Ross, M.D., Elgin, and is dead. They had a family.
  - ii. Margaret, and iii. Isabella, who both died unmarried.
- (2) William, *b.* 19th Oct., 1809; *d.* 25th April, 1843. He was a Planter in Berbice.

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- (3) Alexander, *b.* 21st Jan., 1811; *m.* Eliza Coull, daughter of Dr. James Coull, Ashgrove, Elgin, and grand-daughter of the Rev. Alexander Coull, Minister of Edinkillie, 1754-90; *d.* 5th Sept., 1850. He was a Surgeon, H.E.I.C.S., and died in India, at Bolarum, of a fall from his horse. He was attached to the army of H.H. The Nizam. Their family consisted of:—

i. William, *d.* an infant.

- ii. Alexander, *b.* 1838; *m.* 1869, Anne Y. L. Smail, daughter of Commander Smail, R.N.; *d.* 1905. He joined the Bengal (now Royal) Artillery, 1856, and served in suppressing the India Mutiny (Medal). Transferred to Punjaub Frontier Force, and served in Waziri and Bhotan Campaigns (Medal and two Clasps). Later served in Ordnance Department. Inspector-General, Bengal. Director-General of Ordnance for all India, 1890-7. Major-General 1894; C.S.I., 1893. Colonel Commandant, Royal Artillery, 1900. Their family consisted of:—

(i.) Coull, in the Indian Civil Service.

(ii.) William, Captain, Indian Army.

(iii.) Lewis, M.R.C.S. (iv.) Arthur, Lieutenant, R.E.

(v.) Agatha, *m.* R. Sykes, F.C.S., and has a family.

- iii. Jean Eliza Sutherland.

- iv. James Grant Duff, *b.* 4th Sept., 1842; *m.* Frances Rose Beeching (eldest daughter of Mr. Beeching, Solicitor, Tunbridge Wells), who died 1st Sept., 1912. Entered the Army as Cornet, 6th Madras Cavalry, 4th Oct., 1858, and served in suppressing the India Mutiny, being present at the reduction of Bunderland, under Brigadier-General Wheeler. Commanded the 4th Cavalry, Hyderabad Contingent (now the 30th Lancers), in Upper Burmah in the operations, 1887-9 (Medal and Clasp). Major-General, 1897. He resides at Bournemouth.

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- His family consists of Henry Edward Archibald, M.D., Edinburgh University, and four daughters.
- v. Eliza Dunbar. M.D. of Zurich; LL.M., and K.Q. of College of Physicians, Ireland. One of the first Lady Doctors, and now in practice in Clifton.
  - vi. Archibald Dunbar, C.M., M.D., Edinburgh, and now in practice in London. Author of "Egypt as a Health Resort". He married Florence, daughter of Mr. Kitchen, Manor House, Hampton, and has four of a family:—
    - (i.) Norman, Captain, R.A.M.C., who is married and has two daughters.
    - (ii.) Reginald, Captain, R.E.
    - (iii.) Oswald, Captain, R.A.
    - (iv.) Lionel, Barrister, Chancery Division, London.
- (4) Eliza, *b.* 8th July, 1812; *m.* Alexander Cruickshank, M.D., Elgin, son of Rev. John Cruickshank, M.A., Minister of Glass. He was M.A., King's College, 1828; M.R.C.S., 1829; M.D., King's College, 1836. Their family consisted of:—
- i. John. He was a Medical Practitioner in Sarawak, and is dead.
- (5) John, *b.* 4th May, 1816; *m.* 14th April, 1840, Anne Duff (*b.* 6th Aug., 1817; *d.* 16th Sept., 1896), daughter of Major Robert Duff, H.E.I.C.S., Ladyhill, Elgin; *d.* 8th Jan., 1866. M. A. King's College, 1833. Licensed by Elgin Presbytery, 5th May, 1837. Ordained Minister of St. Andrews-Lhanbryd, 5th Sept., 1839. Their family consisted of:—
- i. Catherine Marjory, *b.* 14th Jan., 1841; *d.* 5th July, 1849.
  - ii. Alexander George, *b.* 15th Nov., 1842; *d.* 24th Aug., 1843.
  - iii. Alexander George, *b.* 24th June, 1844; *d.* 19th Dec., 1866.
  - iv. Robert Duff, *b.* 15th March, 1846; *d.* 29th Dec., 1888, in Australia.
  - v. John, *b.* 4th Dec., 1847; *d.* 10th Sept., 1893, in Tasmania.







THE REV. ALEXANDER WALKER, M.A.  
(1779-1847)  
Minister of Oldmachar (Second Charge), 1805-11 ;  
of Urquhart, 1811-25 ; of Elgin, 1825-41 ; and of  
Urquhart, 1841-47



SIR THOMAS GORDON WALKER,  
K.C.I.E., C.S.I., LL.D.  
Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab  
(1907-1908)



THE REV. HENRY WALKER, M.A.  
(1821-1859)  
Minister of Ordiquhill, 1844-47, and  
of Urquhart, Morayshire, 1847-59

### THREE GENERATIONS OF WALKER

WALKER

- vi. Eliza Katherine, *b.* 20th Dec., 1849; *m.* Mr. Duff, Kerrera, New Zealand.
- vii. Anne Eleonora, *b.* 25th Nov., 1851; *m.* Mr. Shaw, Melbourne.
- viii. Henry William, *b.* 26th Dec., 1854; *d.* 23rd Nov., 1888, in India.
- ix. Charles Emilius, *b.* 26th Feb., 1859; *d.* 29th April, 1864.
- (6) Henry, *b.* 8th Jan., 1821; *m.* 5th March, 1845, Eleonora Frances Julian Gordon (*b.* 1827; *d.* 1895), daughter of Thomas Gordon, of Park; *d.* 30th June, 1859. M.A., King's College, 1839. Minister of Ordiquhill, 1844-7; and of Urquhart, Morayshire, 1847-59, in succession to his father. Their family consisted of:—
  - i. Alexander, *b.* 25th Dec., 1845. He went to New Zealand.
  - ii. Joanna Maria, *m.* 1876, Michael S. Dooley (*d.* 1884) Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, India. They had a family of two daughters.
  - iii. Thomas Gordon, *b.* 14th Sept., 1849; *m.* 15th April, 1879, Adela, daughter of the Rev. A. Irwin, Rector of Napton, Warwick. Educated at the Gymnasium, Old Aberdeen. Alumnus of Aberdeen University. Entered the Indian Civil Service, 1870. Settlement Officer at Ludhiana, 1878; Registrar of Chief Court, 1884; Commissioner of Excise, 1888; and after holding other offices appointed a Judge of the Chief Court in 1898. Commissioner of Delhi, 1901-5; Member of Viceroy's and Provincial Legislative Councils, 1903-7; Financial Commissioner, Punjab, 1905; Lieutenant-Governor, Punjab, 1907-8. Created C.S.I., 1903, and Knight Commander of the Indian Empire, 1907. LL.D., Aberdeen University, 1910. He resides at Pynecroft, Weybridge. Their family consists of:—

#### THE GENEALOGIES

- (i.) Alan Lachlan Gordon, *b.* 20th Jan. 1883. He is married and has two sons. He is in the Indian Civil Service (Punjab),
- (ii.) Robin Ernest Gordon, *b.* 4th April, 1885. He is married. He is in the Colonial Civil Service (Federated Malay States).
- (7) James Fife, *d.* 1842. He was a Planter in Berbice.
- 4. Elspet, *b.* 14th Aug., 1780.
- 5. Hary or Henry, *b.* 24th May, 1784; *m.* 4th June, 1815, Wilhelmina Chalmers (*b.* 16th April, 1793; *d.* 30th Jan., 1849), younger daughter of William Chalmers, M.D., Professor of Medicine, King's College, Aberdeen, 1782-92, great-great-grandfather of Rev. James Smith, B.D., St. George's-in-the-West Parish, Aberdeen; *d.* 2nd Jan., 1845, of whom before (page 8).







The Oscar

The St. Andrew

The Neptune

# THE WRECK OF THE WHALER OSCAR AT ABERDEEN

1st April, 1813

# THE WRECK OF THE OSCAR

*1st April, 1813.*

The wreck of the Greenland whaler, Oscar, at Grey Hope Bay, near the Short Ness at Aberdeen, on Thursday, 1st April, 1813, is one of the greatest (if not the greatest) maritime disasters that ever took place at Aberdeen. So much did it impress the popular imagination that for more than half a century events were dated by it, and spoken of as having happened "so many years before" or "so many years after" the Oscar was lost. In later years there has been no shipping disaster to parallel it at Aberdeen until this year, when quite close to where the Oscar was battered to pieces the Danish s.s. G. Koch was driven ashore on Sunday, 12th January, 1913, at the point of the Girdleness, and seven of her crew found a watery grave in the raging surf. In the following account there has been gathered together the story of the Oscar as told at the time in the "Aberdeen Journal," and as it was further related in the Burial-books of Nigg and Newburgh, Foveran, and Aberdeen.

## THE STORY OF THE WRECK.

"Aberdeen Journal," Wednesday,  
7th April, 1813.

### MELANCHOLY LOSS OF THE WHALE FISHING SHIP OSCAR.

On Thursday last, after a tract of the mildest weather known for many years, one of the most sudden and violent storms, for its short duration, was experienced here, which is recollected by the oldest inhabitant; and attended with one of the most melancholy and distressing events that ever happened at this place. In the morning, the wind, which had been westerly during the night, veered

round to the south-eastward, with snow, blowing strong, but shifted soon after to the north-eastward. At the time five of the whaling ships belonging to this port, viz., the Hercules, Allison; Latona, Ayre; Middleton, Todd; St Andrew, Reid; and Oscar, Innes—which had sailed early in the morning, were riding at anchor in the bay; and the weather being still unsettled, and having the appearance of an impending storm, the two larger about 5 o'clock weighed and stood out to sea.

A boat from the Oscar having gone ashore for some of the crew who were absent, that vessel put about, stood into the bay, and succeeded in getting the last of her hands on board. By this time she was far inshore, and a fatal calm, with a heavy rolling sea and strong flood tide coming on, rendered it impracticable to clear the Girdleness. The vessel continuing to fall to the leeward was again under the necessity of bringing up at the foot of the rocky shore within the Ness. Soon after which, the great violence of the gale which commenced from the north-east, with thick snow, rendered her situation perilous in the extreme, and filled the minds of the people on shore with the most painful apprehension. About half-past eleven o'clock a.m., the Oscar, after dragging her anchor, was seen to go ashore in the Grey Hope, near the Short Ness. A considerable number of people succeeded in getting across by the Ferry, and hastened to the spot, in order to render such assistance as might be found in their power. The heart-rending scene, which however now presented itself, made it too apparent that all human effort for the preservation of the unfortunate ship and crew must be unavailing.

The vessel lay among large rocks, and from the tremendous sea which went over her was already breaking up. At this time an attempt was made by the crew to form a sort of bridge to the nearest rocks by cutting away the main mast, which unfortunately fell alongside the ship instead of towards the shore as they had fondly expected. Many of the men who had clung to the rigging, were now plunged into the sea by the falling of the fore and mizen masts, and disappeared in the merciless ocean; and most of the remainder, having



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nothing to hold by, were swept off the wreck, and sank in sight of those on shore, who could render them no assistance, although the distance between them and the unfortunate seamen was such as to admit of inter-communication of sentiment, even by the countenance.

The fate of others seemed no less hard, for after having nearly gained the shore, they were swept off by the heavy surf, or borne down by the casks and other wreck with which they were surrounded. The fore-castle of the Oscar still remaining about water, 5 men were observed, and among them Captain Innes was distinctly seen making signals for that assistance which could not possibly be afforded; and after clinging long to the wreck and struggling hard for life, they shared the fate of their unfortunate companions, the vessel having soon gone to pieces. About this time Mr John Jamson, first mate, and James Venus, a seaman belonging to Shields, were with difficulty saved, being the only survivors of this sad catastrophe, out of a crew of 44 persons.

Thus perished the Oscar, which but a few hours before had sailed with the fairest prospect, and being very complete in all her equipments, might be valued at £10,000; and thus was lost one of the finest crews which could go to sea, men who so lately set out full of hope and expectation, and were in one fatal hour out off, many of them now leaving by their untimely fate their widows and numerous families in that anguish and distress, towards the alleviation of which we trust a generous and benevolent public will with their wonted liberality contribute in this trying period of their affliction.

A subscription has been set on foot for the relief of the widows, orphans, and other relatives who were dependent on the unfortunate sufferers, the most of whom were married, and many of them have left very large families. The sums subscribed are intended to be disposed of for their relief by a committee to be appointed for that purpose by the principal subscribers.

Subscription papers are left at the Athenæum, the bank offices, Mr Ewen's, Castle Street; Mr Brown's, bookseller, Broad Street; Messrs Angus and Son, booksellers, Union Street; The Circulating Library, Broad Street; and the News Room, Netherkirkgate, where the smallest sum will be thankfully received.

### LATE CREW OF THE OSCAR.

John Innes, master, drowned.  
John Jamson, first mate and harpooner, and  
James Venus, boatsteerer, saved.

### DROWNED.

Jonathan Rogers, spectioneer and harpooner;  
Matthew Elsdon, harpooner; George Buchan,

do.; Alexander Buchan, do.; Robert Richmond, boatsteerer; James Sinclair, do.; Thomas Smith, do.; John Goldie, cooper and boatsteerer; Robert Morgan, line manager; William Roberts, do.; John Henderson, do.; John Coutts, do.; Alexander Mitchell, surgeon; William Livie, seaman; James Short, do.; James Sangster, do.; Thomas Sangster, do.; William Ogston, do.; James Christie, do.; John Buchan, do.; Andrew Peddie, do.; James Catto, do.; Alexander Gordon, do.; John Bruce, do.; William Davidson, do.; Alexander Buchan (2nd), do.; William Dunn, do.; Daniel Alcock, do.; Thomas Greig, do.; John Tait Sim, cook; George Lawrence, carpenter; John Stewart, landsman; John Anderson, do.; William Anderson, do.; William Walker, do.; George M'Donald, do.; Alexander Riddell, apprentice; Robert Riddell, do.; John Palmer, do.; Robert Ronald, do.; Charles Sim, do.

Soon after the Oscar struck, the St Andrew, which rode about a cable length to the windward, cut from both anchors in the face of the rocks which had just proved so fatal, and when there scarcely remained a hope of her safety. The ship was, however, got under way with the staysails and mizen; and with the greatest alacrity, the fore and main topsail being set, she beat to the windward along this rugged part of the coast, while horror was painted in the countenance of every beholder, who momentarily expected that the ship and crew must share the melancholy fate of the Oscar, which seemed inevitable. Never, under Divine Providence, was seamanship and exertion more successfully displayed; and never was a ship seen to escape greater or more imminent peril. In a manner truly astonishing, she surmounted the breakers, and weathered this tremendous part of the coast, to the inexpressible joy of the many anxious spectators assembled, gaining the port in safety.

The Middleton and Latona had previously cut from their anchors, and after barely clearing the North Pier, got safely into the harbour; but we regret to state that the Hercules was not alike fortunate, for after dragging her anchor almost to the Pierhead, she knocked off her rudder to the northward of the pier, and was immediately driven ashore on the beach. The crew were all fortunately saved, and the vessel was on Sunday got off without any material danger. Thirty-eight of the bodies of the Oscar's late unfortunate crew, and among them that of Captain Innes, have been cast ashore, and it was a truly mournful spectacle, the sight of so many weeping relatives endeavouring to recognise the features of their departed and lamented friends. A considerable number have been claimed; and such as



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have not, have been attended to and decently interred."

The same issue of the "Aberdeen Journal" also contains the following letter to the editor—

Sir,—If the following irregular verses, written the day after, and under the awful depression produced by the melancholy event of the 1st of April, be deemed worthy of a corner in your journal, they are much at your service.—I am, sir, your most obedient,

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### ON THE LOSS OF THE OSCAR.

What sounds are those that strike my listening ear,  
In the dread pauses of the furious blast;  
Which, with the speed of lightning, does career  
Across the darkened sky? Methinks, I hear  
The mournful cry  
Of death and hopeless misery.

Yes, April! though thou'rt wont, like the  
world's guile,  
To gild with sunny smile  
The cloud, which nurses in its breast  
The rattling hail or chilly shower,  
To blast the opening bud and flower;  
Yet now thou comest, borne on December's car,  
Urged on thy way by the rude blustering storm,  
And, with the fury of the winter's war,  
Sweepst the raging sea—  
The messenger of God, charged with His dread  
decree.

The gallant ship, prepared to brave  
The northern ocean's mighty wave,  
Her jovial crew, with thoughtless glee,  
Draining the parting cup right merrily,  
Last setting sun beheld;  
Yet never more, on ship or men,  
The setting sun shall look again

In sight of home, how hard to die,  
In sight of home to raise the cry  
Of wild despair, and friends so nigh!  
April! full many a widow's moan and orphan's  
tear,  
For the lost spouse and father dear;  
Full many a mother's breaking heart  
Shall rue thy morning's awful rage,  
And mark, with anguish keen, thy name in  
memory's page.

Further references to the disaster occur in the pages of the "Aberdeen Journal" of 1813—

1. On 28th April, when it is said — "The female domestic servants in the city are collecting for the Oscar sufferers."

2. On 5th May, when it is said—"On Thursday morning, 22nd ult., the body of James

Short and that of another seaman, both of the Oscar's late unfortunate crew, the latter much mangled, were cast ashore near the fatal spot where the ship was wrecked, and were decently interred, the former by the friends by whom it was recognised."

3. On 12th May, when it is said—"On Sunday last, the body of the late carpenter's mate of the whale-fishing ship Oscar was cast ashore in a mangled state, and decently interred."

### AN INCIDENT OF THE WRECK.

The rescue of John Jamson from the wreck was effected under singular circumstances. His uncle, Captain Richard Jamson, a retired whaling captain, had gone out from his home in James Street to bring back from a ball his eldest daughter, Mary Jamson (afterwards Mrs Chalmers, of Bridewell, and grandmother of the Rev. James Smith, B.D., of St George's-in-the-West Parish, Aberdeen), and, hearing of the disaster to the Oscar, hurried over to the Girdleness to do what he could to aid the seamen. While so engaged, something was washed inshore, which, supposing it to be the ship's dog, he proceeded to pull ashore with his staff. To his consternation and glad surprise, he found he had rescued from the jaws of death his own nephew, John Jamson.

Mrs Chalmers' husband, Alexander Wallace Chalmers, governor of Bridewell, had a cousin who was married to Captain Thomas Innes, a brother of the captain of the Oscar. The oil-painting from which the picture of the Oscar is taken belonged at one time to Captain Innes, and is now the property of another relation of the Innes family—viz., Captain Crombie, harbour master of Aberdeen.

### BURIAL REGISTER EXTRACTS.

The Burial Registers of Newburgh, Foveran, Nigg, and Aberdeen, furnish some interesting particulars relating to the calamity.

### NEWBURGH CHURCHYARD.

Epitaph of Captain Innes.

"Sacred to the memory of Captain John Innes, aged 42 years, who was wrecked in the ship Oscar, near Aberdeen, the 1st April, 1813. This stone is erected by his disconsolate widow, Ann Mitchell, as a grateful tribute of her regard and affection for his departed worth. Their son, Thomas, who died in infancy, is also interred here."

Though Boreas' blasts and Neptune's waves  
Have tossed me to and fro,  
In spite of both, by God's decree,  
I harbour here below.

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Here at an anchor I do lie,  
With many of our fleet;  
Until again we must set sail  
Our Admiral, Christ, to meet.

"Also his spouse, Ann Mitchell, died 16th November, 1828, aged 68 years."

The Sexton thus quaintly records the burial of Captain Innes and three others:—

"1813 April the 4 Buried John Innes Ship-master from Aberdeen he lays in the South Sead of his father's Lorston. Buried John Innes and 3 of his men who drowned of the Osker of Aberdeen."

One of these men was John Henderson, line manager, whose epitaph there reads:—"Erected by Rev. Thomas Henderson, Demerara, West Indies, in memory of his father, John Henderson, who was lost off the Oscar, 1st April, 1813, aged 21 years."

### NIGG CHURCHYARD.

The Burial Book contains the following notice:—

"April 1st, 1813. Jonathan Rogers, from South Shields, specioneer and harpooner on board the Oscar, Greenland ship, of Aberdeen (John Innes, captain), was drowned in a storm and cast ashore in the Greyhope of this parish, and was interred next day in the Churchyard of Nigg, aged about 34 years.

"The Oscar left the harbour with several other Greenland ships very early in the morning, but about 10 o'clock a.m., the weather gloomy and hovering, a most dreadful hurricane from the north-east arose, drove the Oscar ashore on the Short Ness, and all her crew, 44, except two persons, perished. On the same day from this ship were drowned, and as cast ashore, buried in the Churchyard of Nigg, the following persons—Matthew Elsdon, harpooner, from North Shields, aged about 35 years; Robert Richmond, boatsteerer, from Sunderland, aged about 25 years; James Sinclair, boatsteerer, from Aberdeen, aged about 23 years; William Livie, seaman, from Fraserburgh, aged about 21 years; James Sangster, seaman, from Peterhead, and his twin brother, Thomas, also a seaman, aged about 19 years; William Ogston, seaman, from parish of New Deer, aged about 20 years; James Christie, seaman, from Peterhead, aged about 21 years; John Buchan, seaman, from parish of Inverallochy, aged about 45 years; Andrew Peddie, seaman, from Portsoy, aged about 19 years; Alexander Gordon, seaman, from Fraserburgh, aged about 30 years; William Davidson, seaman, from Fraserburgh, aged about 21 years; Alexander Buchan (second), seaman, from parish of Inverallochy, aged about 28 years; John Anderson, lands-

man, from the country of Speyside, aged about 23 years; William Anderson, landsman, from the parish of Raffan, aged about 24 years; George M'Donald, landsman, from the parish of Peterhead, aged about 27 years; Robert Riddel, apprentice, from Aberdeen, aged about 15 years.

"From the same ship were drowned, but carried to other places where no burial registers are kept, and there interred, the following persons:—George Buchan, harpooner, from Peterhead, aged about 29 years; Alexander Buchan, first harpooner, his brother, aged about 25 years; Thomas Smith, boatsteerer, from Aberdeen, aged about 23 years; John Goldie, cooper and boatsteerer, from Aberdeen, aged about 53 years; Robert Morgan, line manager, from Aberdeen, aged about 21 years; William Roberts, line manager, from Aberdeen, aged about 21 years; John Henderson, line manager, from Newburgh, aged about 22 years; John Coutts, line manager, from Aberdeen, aged about 19 years; Alexander Marshall, surgeon, from Dundee, aged about 18 years; James Stuart, seaman, from Old Aberdeen, aged about 19 years; John Bruce, seaman, from Fraserburgh, aged about 19 years; William Dunn, seaman, from the parish of Raffan, aged about 31 years; Daniel Alcock, seaman, from Aberdeen, aged about 25 years; John Tait Sim, cook, from parish of Cruden, aged about 24 years; John Stewart, carpenter, from Aberdeen, aged about 30 years; Alexander Riddel, apprentice, from Aberdeen, aged about 19 years; John Palmer, apprentice, from Aberdeen, aged about 15 years; Forbes Ronald, apprentice, from Aberdeen, aged about 16 years; Charles Sim, apprentice, from parish of Cruden, aged about 19 years.

"From the same ship were also drowned, according to evidence from the Custom House Books of Aberdeen, but either their bodies cast ashore, or near by, or not to be distinguished on account of their mutilated state, the following persons—James Catto, seaman, from Peterhead, aged about 18 years; Thomas Greig, seaman, from Peterhead, aged about 23 years; George Lawrence, carpenter, from Foot-dee, by Aberdeen, aged about 25 years; William Walker, landsman, from Aberdeen, aged about 21 years. John Innes, captain of the Oscar, from the fishing village of Newburgh, being drowned and cast ashore, was buried according to evidence in the Churchyard of Newburgh, aged 42 years."

### ST NICHOLAS CHURCHYARD, ABERDEEN.

4th April, 1813.—John Coutts, seaman, aged 18 years, who was drowned in the Oscar, was buried in Lair E. 9.







BADGE OF THE THIRTY-NINTH REGIMENT, BENGAL NATIVE INFANTRY

As worn by Lieutenant John Chalmers, M.A., in 1855



## THE INDIA MUTINY

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The Author regrets that he can include in this volume only a few of the many interesting letters he possesses, written by his mother's five brothers named at pages 12-14. Treasured by their devoted and bereaved mother, who outlived them all, these letters now fill eleven closely-written volumes, and contain much well worthy of publication.

I.—LETTERS OF RICHARD CHALMERS, C.E., 1845-52. These describe his work on the Survey of the Great North of Scotland and Caledonian Railways, and in the Service of the Glasgow and South-Western Railway at Kilmarnock. 1 Vol.

II.—LETTERS OF ALEXANDER WALLACE CHALMERS, Chief Engineer, Royal Navy, 1848-68. These describe his life in the Navy from 1852, in the following ships :—*Magicienne*, *Hogue*, *Valorous*, *Pike*, *Desperate* (which in May, 1853, helped to tow the *Franklin Relief Expedition* to the edge of the ice, and with which he joined the *Blockade of the Baltic*, 1854-5, under Sir Charles Napier, K.C.B.), *Pylades*, *Fisgard*, *Hastings*, *Swinger*, *Blenheim*, *Drake* (with which he served, 1857-8, in the *China War* and at the *Siege of Canton*), *Sanspareil*, *Hannibal*, *Falcon* (with which he served on the *Gold Coast*, suppressing the slave trade, 1859-61), and *Asia*, 1862-4. 3 Vols.

III.—LETTERS OF SAMUEL CHALMERS, Indian Electric Telegraphs, attached to the 52nd Regiment (which at *Waterloo* broke *Napoleon's Old Guard*), and Telegraphist to Brigadier-General John Nicholson, C.B., at *Delhi*, 1854-8. These describe his life as a Telegraphist at *Beoura*, *Seepree*, *Agra*, *Umballa*, *Jullundur*, and finally his experiences after joining the *Moveable Column* at *Phillour*, on the *Sutlej*, under Nicholson, 18th June, 1857, and his march thence to *Jullundur*, *Umritser*, and *Delhi*. 1 Vol.

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IV.—LETTERS OF WILLIAM CHALMERS, L.R.C.S.E., Assistant-Surgeon, 1st Royals and 2nd Batt. 17th Regiment, 1853-62. These describe his life in the Army at Stoke Devonport, Aldershot, Shorncliffe, Pembroke Dock, Penally, Calcutta, Benares, Allahabad, Sultanpore, Madras, Trimulgharry, and London. 3 Vols.

V.—LETTERS OF JOHN CHALMERS, M.A., H.E.I.C.S., Lieutenant, 39th Bengal Native Infantry, and 17th Irregular Cavalry, and afterwards Assistant Commissioner for the Punjab, 1855-61. These describe his life in the Bengal Army, the Mutiny, a Tour in Cashmere, his experiences as a Commissioner, and at Hoti-Murdan in Yusafzai (where he was associated with the famous soldier, Lumsden of the Guides, a native of Belhelvie, near Aberdeen), and last of all his return to Aberdeen an invalid and his early death at the age of 25. 3 Vols.

## LETTERS FROM INDIA DURING THE MUTINY, 1857

LETTERS OF LIEUT. JOHN CHALMERS, M.A.

*(His first reference to the Mutiny.)*

Jhelum, Punjab,  
24th March, 1857.

"The 19th Native Infantry have mutinied at Berhampore, about the new cartridges. The 1st Irregulars have left this for Mooltan. I wonder when we shall go."

Jhelum, 29th April, 1857.

"... The 19th Native Infantry has been disbanded for mutiny. The Jemadar of the guard from the 34th N.I., who would not assist the Adjutant when he was fired at by a Sepoy, has also been hanged. The Sepoy who fired at him has been hanged. Some bungalows and a barrack have been burned down at Umballa. Our Regiment is all right."

Jhelum, 14th May, 1857.

"There has been a row among the Sepoys at Meerut and Delhi; a slight spirit of disaffection has shown itself among the Native Sepoys. Our

Regiment two hours ago received Orders from the General at Peshawar to march to a certain point on the Indus. The carriage is coming in fast, and we expect to start to-morrow night or the next morning. We go first to Shahpore, then West. Don't be surprised if you get no letter next Mail. There has not been the slightest symptom of disaffection among the men here."

Dera Ismail Khan,  
8th June, 1857.

"About the 11th of May, I saw in one of the papers, that 85 Troopers of the 3rd Cavalry at Meerut had been sentenced to hard labour on the roads for refusing to receive the cartridges they had always had. On going down to our Mess to tiffin on the afternoon of the 14th, I noticed some of the Officers whispering together about something. One of them took me aside and told me, that news had just come from Lahore by telegraph, that the 3rd Cavalry and the Native Troops at Meerut had broken into open mutiny on Sunday, the 11th, and after killing all the Europeans they could find had set off for Delhi. No exact account

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can be given of what took place there, but it is supposed that, when the mutineers from Meerut reached Delhi, the Officers of the 54th Regiment N.I., which was stationed in the city, called upon their men to fire upon them, the men turned round and shot their Officers. Then commenced an indiscriminate massacre of all the Europeans, men, women, and children—in fact, everyone professing Christianity; the Bank was robbed, the Manager and his family murdered. The Cantonment is about 2 miles from the city. The Europeans there hearing of the row mostly all managed to escape. The 45th and 57th N.I., at Ferozepore mutinied almost on the same day; the 10th Native Cavalry stood true, and along with the 61st Queen's cut the 45th Regiment nearly to pieces. Most of the 57th gave up their arms; the rest escaped to the jungle, where they were afterwards captured by the Police. Hearing of these things, Reid, Cotton, Chamberlain, and Nicholson met in Council of War at Peshawar, and determined that General Reid should assume the chief command in the Punjab; that a Moveable Column of European Troops should be assembled at Jhelum, to move on any point of the Punjab where mutiny might show itself. We received the news of this from Piandi on the 15th. The same dawk brought a letter from the Brigadier there, saying they were very anxious about us, as there were no Irregulars at Jhelum to keep the two Regiments of the Line in awe. He also sent an Order for the 39th Regiment to march at once to Dera Ismail Khan on the Indus, viâ Shahpore. This Order came in on the evening of the 15th—on the morning of Sunday, the 17th, having got together some 200 camels to carry our baggage, we started on our march and arrived here all safe yesterday. . . . The European and Irregular Force marching on Delhi was expected to be there yesterday, and we hope soon to hear a good account of it. General Anson, the Commander-in-Chief, died at Kurnaul on the 27th ult. The Native Troops at Lahore have been disarmed, also all at Peshawar, except the 21st N.I. The 55th from Nowshera mutinied and was cut to

pieces. The 35th Regiment (Watson's) was behaving well, and by last accounts was along with the 52nd Queen's at Goojranwalla forming part of the Moveable Column. It is said that 10,000 Sikhs were enlisted at Lahore in 4 or 5 days. Our men behaved most exemplarily on the march, and continue fully trusted by Government. We must have 50,000 Europeans out here immediately. The Europeans at Hansi were all massacred. The Officer commanding the Sappers at Rootkee was shot by his own men, who were pursued and cut to pieces by the European Dragoons and Artillery. The district of Delhi is under martial law. Anyone found resisting the Government is at once shot. Wherever the telegraph wire is found cut, the Headman of the village is hanged. Fifty Europeans, who had concealed themselves in Delhi at the first massacre, were taken out the Sunday after and all murdered in cold blood. Lieut. Willoughby, when his magazine at Delhi was broken into by the mutineers, blew himself up with 300 of them. Two days ago the Subadar Major of the 51st at Peshawar was hanged for desertion. India never had such a stirring up before. Do reassure Mamma that there is no immediate fear of either of her sons."

Dera Ismail Khan,  
Friday, 26th June, 1857.

"I had a letter from Sam (his brother) yesterday, from a very safe place, the strong Fort of Phillour on the Sutlej. . . . By the time you receive this letter, you will have heard of the dreadful atrocities at Meerut, Delhi, and Bareilly. I will endeavour to give you some account of what has occurred. In the month of January last, schools for the instruction of the native soldiers in the use of the Enfield rifle were established at Dum-Dum, Umballa, and Sialkot. A party of seven or eight Non-Commissioned Officers and men under a European Officer from every native regiment in the country was attached to one of these depots, to receive instructions in the use of the rifle, which they were afterwards to communicate to the men of their respective Corps.



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About the middle of March, frequent notices appeared in the newspapers of Officers' bungalows being nightly set fire to at Barrackpore, the large Cantonment near Calcutta and close to Dum-Dum. High rewards were offered, but it was never discovered who was the incendiary. In consequence of this, the Sepoy Guards who had been set to watch began to be themselves suspected. About the same time, a report was spread among the Sepoys at Barrackpore and other stations, that the new cartridges, which for the rifle differ from the old cartridges in having a little grease at one end, were made up with pig's and cow's fat, and that it was the intention of Government to convert the whole of the native soldiers by making them bite these greased cartridges, as a Mahommedan would at once lose caste by touching pig's fat and a Hindoo by coming in contact with cow's. A state of great excitement now prevailed throughout the Native Army on this greased cartridge question. An Order was then issued, first, that the cartridges should not be bitten but torn with the hand, and soon after that they should not be served out to the Native Troops at all. The excitement about the cartridges was greatest in Bengal and the Lower Provinces, where it appears to have originated. The Sepoys there now began to examine the old cartridges (which they had been using all along) before they would take them. The 19th N.I. was stationed at Berhampore in the Calcutta Division. One day in the end of March, they received notice that there would be a parade of the regiment next morning, at which blank ammunition consisting of part of the old cartridges which they had always been using would be served out. About 10 o'clock that night, the Regiment mutinied and rushed to the places where their arms are locked up at night under sentries. These they broke open, and taking out their muskets loaded with ball. On hearing of this, the Officer commanding the Station brought the 11th Irregular Cavalry and a Battery of Artillery down on them, at the sight of whom they gave up their arms. For this mutiny the 19th was marched to Barrackpore, and there dis-

banded in presence of all the troops. Incendiary fires still continued to occur at Barrackpore. One day, a Sepoy of the 34th N.I. at Barrackpore, named Mungul Pandey, went out in front of the Quarter Guard of his regiment armed with a musket and sword, and called upon the men to mutiny. The Adjutant, Lieut. Baugh, went out with the Sergeant-Major to apprehend him. The Sepoy shot the Sergeant, and wounded the Adjutant, but was at last apprehended. This took place a few yards from a guard of 24 Sepoys under a Native Officer. Neither they nor the men of the 34th came to the assistance of the Adjutant. For this, the Native Officer commanding the guard was tried and hanged; the men of the guard were transported for life; and the 34th disbanded. The Sepoy, Mungul Pandey, was hanged. One of the Oude Irregular Regiments at Lucknow next refused the old cartridges, but on the appearance of troops to coerce them they laid down their arms, and fled to the jungles. About 1st May, Colonel Smyth, of the 3rd Cavalry at Meerut, ordered a parade of 90 men for Light Infantry drill, at which they were to use the old blank ammunition. When paraded in the morning, 85 men refused to take the cartridges. For this they were placed in confinement to await a Court Martial. Some Native Officers were sent for from Delhi to act as members of the Court, so that the circumstances of the case must have been well known to the Native Troops at Delhi. The result was anxiously looked for by all. At last, on 9th May, the sentence of the Court was promulgated, that the 85 Troopers were to undergo 10 years labour in chains on the roads. They were accordingly removed to gaol. On the evening of Sunday, 10th May, just as the European Troops were preparing to go to Church, the 3rd Cavalry, 11th and 20th N.I. stationed at Meerut broke into open mutiny, rushed to the gaol, and set free the 85 Troopers, and forthwith began murdering every white face they came across. At Meerut were the Headquarters of European Artillery, the 60th Queen's, and the Carabineers. These drove the mutineers out of Meerut, who took the road to



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Delhi. Brigadier Hewitt commanding at Meerut was an old incompetent ass, and if still alive will most likely be tried by Court Martial and shot ; but it is reported he has shot himself. He ought at once to have sent half his European Force in pursuit of the mutineers to Delhi. He merely sent news to the authorities at Delhi that the mutineers were coming to attack them. The Cantonment of Delhi is about 2 miles from the city. There were no European Troops there, only a Native Battery, the 38th, 54th, and 74th Regiments N.I. On hearing in the morning that the mutineers were coming over from Meerut, the Officer commanding at Delhi, ordered the 54th with two guns into the city to prevent the mutineers from crossing the bridge of boats over the Jumna. On the bank of the river is an immense block of buildings called the "Palace," where the old pensioned King of Delhi resides. He has Palace Guards of his own, who were commanded by a Captain Douglas. The bridge over the Jumna is close to the Palace. Well, just as the 54th reached the Palace, the mutineers from Meerut crossed the bridge and entered the city. Simon Fraser, the Magistrate, was coming along in his buggy. The mutineers wounded him, but he escaped into the Palace ; but the Native Guard having opened the gate and joined the mutineers rushed into the Palace, and killed Fraser, Captain Douglas, Miss Jennings, and Miss Clifford. They now proceeded to murder every white face they could find—Beresford of the Bank and his family, the Chaplain, the Editor of the *Delhi Gazette* and assistants, and Mr. Tod of the Telegraphs. The men of the 54th now joined them, and showed their sympathy by shooting down their European Officers, only one or two of whom escaped. The men of the 38th and 74th wavered for some time, but at last joined the mutineers and took part in the butchery. The surviving Europeans now determined to retreat on Kurnaul and Meerut, which places some of them did reach after the most miraculous escapes, but many were murdered on the road with awful barbarity. Lieutenant Willoughby, who had charge of the Magazine,

defended it until overpowered, when he blew it up and sent 300 of the Mutineers to the Devil. He himself escaped by a miracle, but is supposed to have been afterwards murdered on the road from Delhi. Listen to some of the atrocities of these fiends, and let your blood boil for your countrywomen. One lady was, along with her husband, stripped and ravished in the presence of her husband by ten of these brutes. Another was ripped up by a butcher of the Meerut Bazaar, the child torn out, and hung round her own neck. Miss J——, the belle of Delhi, was stripped by the brutes, and made to run up and down the Bazaar, while these wretches cut at her with swords and spears, until they killed her. On Sunday, the 17th, 50 Europeans who had been found hiding were brought out and murdered with every barbarity, children being tossed on bayonets, and women hacked to pieces, after which the bodies were put on a cart and thrown down outside the city. The avenging force from Umballa has found on the road to Delhi traces of the most frightful atrocities. In one place, the Headman of a village violated a lady, and then cut off her breasts, hands, and feet. Did you ever hear of such damnable fiends? In one place, the Europeans found a pair of child's shoes with the feet cut off at the ankles sticking in them. The Europeans can scarcely be kept from murdering every native they meet. On the 12th or 13th, the 45th and 57th mutinied at Ferozepore, and attempted to seize the Fort there. They scaled it, but a volley from a few men of H.M. 61st Regiment stopped them. The Europeans then drove them out of the Fort. The 10th Cavalry stood true to us, and along with the Europeans cut the 45th to pieces. The 57th escaped to the Jungle, but afterwards came and gave up their arms and were disbanded.

On hearing of these mutinies, General Reid, Brigadiers Cotton, Edwards, Chamberlain, and Nicholson met in Council of War at Peshawar. They at once disarmed the native troops at Lahore. General Reid took supreme command in the Punjab, and a Moveable Column of

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European and Irregular Troops was ordered to assemble at Jhelum. Our Regiment was ordered to march at once to Dera Ismail Khan, and the 55th from Nowshera to Hoti-Murdan. There they mutinied. A Force of Europeans and Irregulars was sent in pursuit from Peshawar. They killed 100 of the 55th, and took 140 prisoners. These were brought to Peshawar, and blown away from guns in batches of tens. Those who have escaped into the Swat Country were circumcised by the Hill Tribes, who are bigoted Mohammedans. There has been some hard fighting in front of Delhi, and European Troops are pouring in from all quarters. But we must have at least 20,000. The Troops going to China are coming here. The Regiments who have joined the mutineers are—the 3rd, 5th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 15th, 18th, 20th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 38th, 44th, 45th, 48th, 54th, 55th, 57th, 60th, 61st, 68th, 71st, 74th N.I., and 3rd and 6th Cavalry. At Bareilly, most of the Officers were murdered, also a Judge, and two civilians hanged. Report just come in of the massacre of Europeans by the 28th at Shahjehanpore. Lucknow is said to be burned down, but no news from Calcutta since 28th May. My Regiment is all right, the drills and parades going on here. All sleep here with loaded revolvers under their pillows, and carry them always about them. All the ladies of our Regiment are safe at Murree. I saw 700 of the new Cavalry Levies here to-day. Tell Mamma not to be afraid, Sam and I are all right."

Dera Ismail Khan,  
11th July, 1857.

"Fighting goes on daily before Delhi. The 23rd of June was the Centenary Anniversary of the Battle of Plassey, and the commencement of our Raj in India; it was also the new moon (a most lucky day to Hindoos), and some festival very auspicious for the Mohammedans. This strange coincidence was strongly impressed upon the 'Pandies' by their pundits and soothsayers,

who assured them that the British Raj had been destined to continue 100 years, and having fulfilled its destiny would that day be destroyed. Accordingly, they came out well primed with bhang, an intoxicating extract of hemp, in three columns at 4 a.m. Their left column coming up on our right was trying to take possession of the Kurnaul Road, by which a reinforcement of troops from Umballah was that day expected to join us. The object of this movement was seen through by Norman of the Staff, who galloped towards Kurnaul, and brought up the convoy. They fought from 4 a.m. to 7 p.m., to make true the oracle of their pundit, but it was no go. A handful of British bayonets, assisted by their brothers the Sikhs, Goorkhas, and Pathans, showed them that the British Raj was not yet over. They drove them back into the city with a loss of 800 killed. . . . All quiet in the Punjab, hanging and blowing away from guns going on as usual. General Wheeler with 4 European Regiments had pursued the mutineers from Cawnpore to near Agra, inflicting frightful loss. General Patrick Grant from Madras had reached Benares with more Europeans. All native troops in Bengal disarmed: the Press to be gagged. The Gwalior Contingent have all mutinied; Proctor of my Regiment killed. All depends upon the Fall of Delhi.

12th July, 1857. We have just heard of the disarming of the 58th at Pindi, and the 14th at Jhelum. They had up to this been allowed to retain their arms. The 58th quietly gave up theirs. A wing of the 24th Queen's with Horse Artillery guns came down to Jhelum to disarm the 14th. They resisted, and after a long fight were utterly destroyed by the Europeans. All Regiments have now been disarmed except ours, the 39th."

Then follow several letters graphically describing the progress of the Mutiny, especially about Delhi.

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Dera Ismail Khan,  
14th Sept., 1857.

"I heard from Sam a short time ago. He was close to Delhi with General Nicholson's force. We have got to within 300 yards of the walls of Delhi. One battery at 450 paces is well armed to play on the Cashmere Gate, and Moree bastions. The place, if not already smashed, must be so in a few days. The 51st at Peshawar broke out on 29th August, I think. They numbered 875. Of these 781 were killed the same day. One batch of 190, after being tried by drum head Court Martial, were drawn up in line facing as many Europeans, and all at one word of command were shot dead. On the 27th, we heard of a conspiracy to deliver up the Fort and arms here to our disarmed men. There has been a Court on the subject, but nothing of importance has come out of it. We were all to have had our throats cut at 8 p.m., but heard of it at 11 a.m."

Mooltan, 12th Oct., 1857.

*(To his brother Samuel.)*

"Got yours of 20th and 26th to-day. In destroying a party of the 9th Irregular Cavalry near Jhung on 29th ult. I was shot through the right side, and in the wrist. I am doing well, but cannot write. For this affair, I am to be appointed to the 17th Irregular Cavalry. Write home I am nearly well."

Mooltan, 21st Oct., 1857.

Dr. Macintire's Bungalow.

*(To his brother.)*

"My dear Willie,

. . . I must now account or my being at Mooltan. On 23rd Sept., an express reached Dera Ismail Khan with intelligence, that some 20 or 30 sowars of the 9th Irregular Cavalry had mutinied near Kalabaugh, after firing on their Officers. A Party of 150 of New Horse Levies

was ordered across to Bukkur, in case these mutineers should attempt to get to Leiah, where were some of the 17th Irregular Cavalry, supposed to be disaffected. Mr. Cowan, a civilian, was to command the Party. I obtained permission to accompany him. We started two hours after the express arrived, and got to Bukkur that night. Here we left 80 of our men, and with the remaining 70 proceeded straight towards Jhung, across a sandy desert, as we expected the mutineers would try to make for the Chenab, and we hoped to intercept them. . . . We started from here at sunrise to track them with guides, and followed their trail till noon, when we came to a well where two hours before they had watered their horses. We followed them up and came in sight of them in about half an hour. They were ready for us, for they had taken up their position in a clump of trees with their carbines presented. Cowan gave the word, our fellows drew their swords with a delightful yell. I thought it was all right, and that we were going to polish off the whole of them, but on seeing the carbines our fellows turned right and left, leaving Cowan, myself, the Rassildar, and a Pathan to go in at them alone. The Pathan was killed dead. After I had two shots at them, I got one in return through the fleshy part of the right side, which lodged in the right arm a little above the wrist. On looking for our men, we found them hiding behind the bushes. We tried to make them charge again, but they flatly refused. We therefore fell back to the nearest village, where we were luckily joined by Captain Hankin with some 60 sowars of the 17th Irregulars. His party with ours started after the mutineers about 3 p.m., and returned about 8 p.m. to the village where I was lying, with the pleasing intelligence that they had killed all the mutineers. After two days I and Mr. Thomson (Captain Hankin's second-in-command, who had received some 12 sword-cuts) were sent down to Mooltan, where we have been most kindly treated by Dr. Macintire, Civil Surgeon, there. The wound in my side has healed up, and that in the arm doing well."



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Letters to Lieut. John Chalmers' Father, from Captain Powlett, late 58th Regiment, Bengal Native Infantry, afterwards Assistant Commissioner for the Punjab, and who died 15th July, 1910. He was present at the Siege, Relief, and Capture of Lucknow (Medal with two clasps); also in the actions of Allygurh, Agra, and Kanonj, and against the Gwalior Contingent. He became Colonel in 1881; C.S.I., 1891; and C.B., 1907.

I. Letter from Peshawar, Sept. 23rd, 1861.

"My dear Sir,

It is with the deepest regret that I have just read the announcement of your son's death on 10th August, in the *Home News*; and I trust I shall not be thought intrusive in now addressing the father of my dear friend, to express my heartfelt sorrow and sympathy for his loss. I think it will not be unpleasant for you to know that Lieut. Chalmers' death is really felt and mourned by some of those with whom he was associated during his brief Indian career of 5 years. None will feel it more than myself, for we were warm friends; and I look back with sad pleasure to the periods we were together, first at Murree, where we were both on sick leave in 1858, and lived in the same house, and again here in 1859. His intellectual and moral superiority (both to myself and to most of those I have met in this country) rendered intercourse with him as profitable as it was agreeable, and I am sure I owe him much for the influence his earnestness for self-improvement, and his craving for what is good and true, has had upon me. His manly, genial disposition made him generally liked, but he was often troubled with doubts and difficulties (and who is not?) which harassed him a good deal and must, I think, sometimes have coloured his correspondence. Being, too, of rather a sensitive nature he felt more than most would some little official vexations; but, though he may at times have

thought the contrary, he was thoroughly appreciated by the higher authorities as the enclosed extract from a Punjab Report will show you. I know the Lieutenant Governor, Sir Robert Montgomery, K.C.B., thought highly of him, and I have heard the Judicial Commissioner, Mr. Roberts, speak of him as "a very promising officer," and not long ago General Chamberlain was asking with much interest about him, his interest having been occasioned by hearing him spoken of most highly in the Derajat. My own impression is that he was *the most promising* of the younger Civil Officers in the Commission, for to his superior education he added a zeal and a conscientiousness that few possess.

All this would be nothing now, would not be worth recording, but that it must be comforting to know that your pains and anxious thought were not bestowed in vain, and that your son though so early cut off had already given promise of being all that parent could wish.

Yours very truly,

P. W. POWLETT."

II. Letter from Umritser, 31st Jan., 1862.

"My dear Sir,

I thank you very much indeed for the most interesting and consoling account you have so kindly sent me of the last moments on earth of my dear friend. After learning how happily he terminated his earthly career and how glorious a future he felt to be before him, I feel with you it is not right to mourn for what is his 'great gain.' I enclose the extracts from the Punjab Reports referred to in my last letter."

Report by the Judicial Commissioner on the Administration of Criminal Justice in the Punjab and its Dependencies.

"The Deputy-Commissioner of Rawul Pindi pronounces Lieut. Chalmers to have exhibited good judgment in his decisions, while he has been successful in improving the Police of the Attock Sub-Division of which he has charge." (*For the year, 1859.*)



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"Lieut. Chalmers was transferred early in the year to Dera Ismail Khan. He is an officer of great promise, and I regret that ill-health has necessitated his return to England." (*For the year 1860.*)

Extract from the Report on the Revenue Administration for the year, 1859-60.

"Captain Dwyer (officiating Deputy-Commissioner, of Rawul Pindi, and just arrived there) has not recorded any opinion of Lieut. Chalmers, an omission I feel quite able to supply. He is an excellent officer, and afforded me great assistance in the Revenue Department, during the 5 months I was in charge of the Rawul Pindi District. Few officers that I have been associated with have so thoroughly devoted themselves to their work; his judgment is very good and his energy untiring. I regret exceedingly that ill-health has obliged him to take 6 months sick leave, and that his transfer to Dera Ismail Khan prevented his appearing before the Divisional Examination."

(Lieut. Chalmers died at the early age of 25 years, at Aberdeen, and was interred in St. Nicholas Churchyard in the grave of his ancestors.)

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### LETTERS OF SAMUEL CHALMERS.

Letter to his father from The Palace, Delhi.

18th Oct., 1857.

"I reached Delhi on 14th August, and have been here ever since, and witnessed the grand assault on the morning of 14th September, and had the pleasure to see the British flag once more hoisted on the Cashmere Gate. Many hours of suspense passed over all of us up to that morning. Our army was small, cholera was raging, and many other things had we to contend with. I used to spend hours and days at our batteries on the hill above Delhi; and although it was not always prudent, yet fear was dispelled by the gratifying fact, that what I witnessed was for my own and others good.

I cannot describe to you the scenes I have been an eye-witness of during the last five months, the

account furnished in newspapers is a mere shadow of the reality. I came inside the city on the 17th, three days after the attack, but it was not to view the Delhi I saw last year; it was to cast my eyes on a heap of ruins, deserted houses, starving inhabitants, and putrid corpses of man and beast. Misery was the watchword. Plundering went on to a terrible extent, shops and goods of all descriptions blocked up the roads, and here and there dead Sepoys. Not a European house is fit to be occupied, they were burned to the ground. Shall I reveal to you the horrors of the 8th, 10th, and 11th of June? Ladies butchered at the breakfast table, children torn from their mother's arms and dashed upon the flags, husbands tied to the wall and saw their wives ravished, spat upon, vivisectioned, and had their throats cut, maddened Sepoys rushing here and there and calling for the Europeans to come out to be tortured. Oh! God, I cannot, I will not go further. In Cawnpore their treachery to General Wheeler and his party, and the murder of the harmless women and children have excited a spirit of retaliation that time can never erase. Lucknow Garrison was relieved by General Havelock on 25th September. We completely drove the brutes out of Delhi and have followed them up to Agra *via* Allyghur, where they were completely routed and cut up. At Agra 500 men were despatched after two good fights. It is expected they will now be joined by the Gwalior mutineers. Agra is still unsafe, all the inhabitants are in the Fort still. Our Sappers left this morning for Agra.

The Palace is a fine place on the brink of the Jumna, but is out of repair. Two of the Princes were shot like dogs the other day. Hanging, &c., are so common now, that it appears a pastime to go and see a dozen or two knocked off (the villains!).

The Church is all battered to pieces nearly, what remains is used as an Hospital. The 1st Fusiliers suffered very much, and the Rifles too. Funerals are very frequent. The villains broke the tablets on the tombs just to vex us, and made a bull's eye of the gilt ball on the dome of the

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Church. Provisions are pretty dear and no selection. We lived in mosques, faqueer's houses, &c., for days, and if I were sure of settling here I could furnish a house gratis. I have succeeded in doing the prize agent out of the following—*My own Loot*:—A palkee Gharee, *alias* one of Dr. Campbell's (founder of Campbells Limited, Aberdeen) best cabs, four wheels and new; a mahogany bedstead with cane bottom, almost new; three elegant chandeliers, one I made a present of to a young man on his birthday, thirty six yards fine calico, twenty yards coarse, Neck-ties, Puggies, which came out of the Palace Harem, a huge box with brass nails, excellent bedding, looking-glasses, wine glasses, lamp chimneys, a bhuggy, 2 reams of paper, pens, ink, ammunition, 2 small silver rings, vases, plates, tureens, cups, saucers, spoons, and an endless lot of things from Delhi, ruined Delhi, and a musical box. You just get a coolie and walk them off coolly! I could find no money, though a Sikh and I looked hard. All is now quiet and order being restored in the city.

Last week, business called me away about 30 miles from here for 4 or 5 days, and on my return I happened to take up the paper and found to my astonishment and grief that poor Johnnie (his brother) had been wounded severely, along with two other officials. I have sent you the paper by this post, and also enclose a letter from Jack himself. He is doing well, and I hope will soon

be better. I expect to be in Meerut soon. I have a Golgotha at last, on the spot where Colonel Chester fell, four miles from this." (He was Adjutant-General of the Army, and was shot down on 8th June, at the Battle of Badli-ki-Sarai, 6 miles from Delhi.)

Your loving Son,  
SAM.

Letter to Rev. Dr. McGilvray, Gilcomston Free Church, Aberdeen.

Murree Hills,  
Sunday, 5th Sept., 1858.

"My dear Dr. McGilvray,

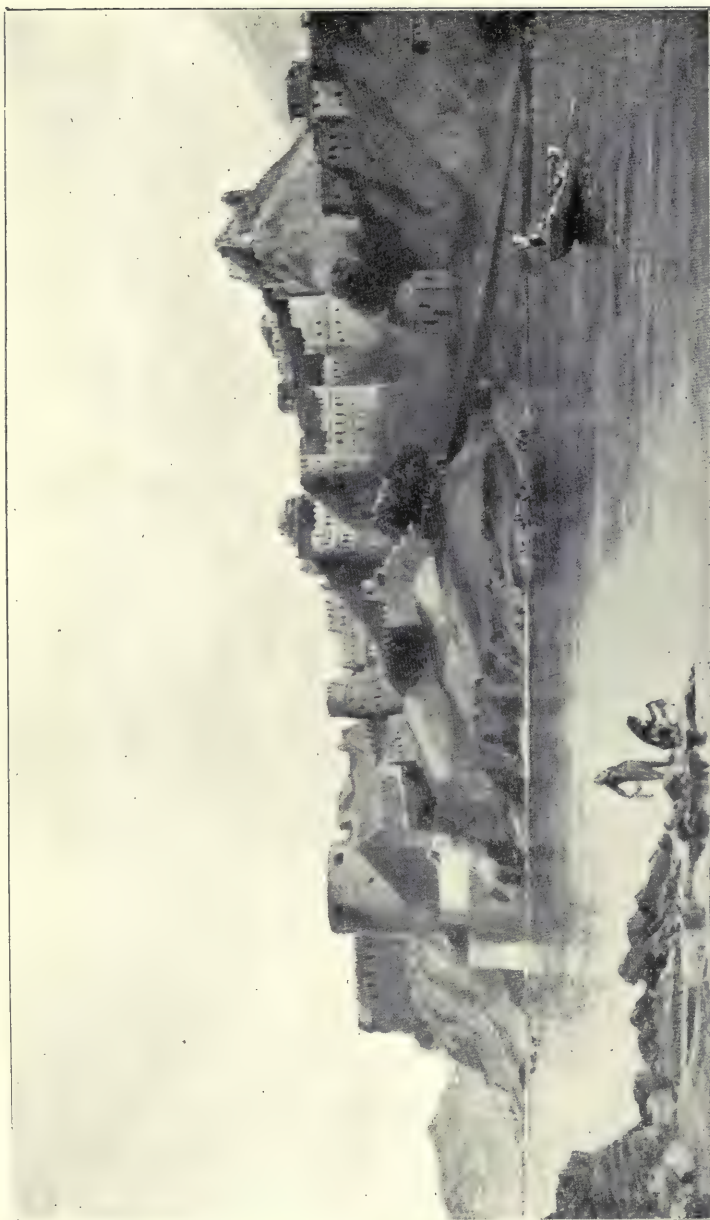
You have lately suffered deep affliction in your own family, and I earnestly pray that God may direct you in breaking to my poor old father and mother the intelligence of the death of my brother Samuel at Calcutta, on 14th August, which I have just this minute received from Rev Mr. Gardiner (afterwards Minister of Old Aberdeen Free Church.) You are God's servant; may He direct you, for I cannot tell my father of this."

Yours affectionately,

J. CHALMERS,  
Lieut. 39th Regt., N.I.

(He was buried in the Bhowanipore Military Cemetery, Calcutta, and a Monument erected to his memory by his brother John.)





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## INDIA OFFICE RECORD OF LIEUT. JOHN CHALMERS, M.A.

Statement of the services of Lieut. John Chalmers, late 39th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry, and Assistant Commissioner in the Punjab, proceeding on sick leave to Europe. Dated Rawul Pindi, 8th Oct., 1860.

"Lieutenant John Chalmers entered the Indian Army on 5th Aug., 1855, at the age of 18, landed at Calcutta, on 7th Dec., 1855, and joined the 39th Regiment B.N.I., as Ensign at Jhelum, 13th Jan., 1856. He continued to do duty with his regiment up to the breaking out of the mutinies. On 17th May, 1857, he proceeded with the 39th Regiment B.N.I. to Dera Ismail Khan, was present at its disarming about 15th July, 1857, and continued to do duty up to 23rd Sept., 1857, when information being received that the 9th Irregular Cavalry had mutinied at Mianwali, on the left bank of the Indus, 100 miles north of Dera Ismail Khan, Ensign Chalmers volunteered and was permitted by the Officer Commanding at Dera Ismail Khan, to proceed in pursuit with a party of Irregular Horse. He overtook and attacked the mutineers near the village of Boota Dalset in the Leia District on 29th Sept., 1857, was himself very severely wounded in six places, shot through the side, and his right forearm shattered. On 6th Oct., 1857, he was appointed to do duty with the 17th Irregular Cavalry, but did not join till 23rd Jan., 1858, when the Indian Officers pronounced him unfit for duty from the unhealed state of his wounds. From 1st May, 1858, he went on six months' sick leave to Murree. On 26th Oct., 1858, he was appointed an Assistant Commissioner in the Punjab, joined at Jhelum on 30th October, 1858, and up to 10th May, 1860, acted as Assistant Commissioner at Shahpore, Peshawar, Attock, and Dera Ismail Khan. He has been on sick leave since 10th May, 1860. He has never been tried by Court Martial, nor has his conduct ever been the subject of a Court of Inquiry. He has passed in Hindoostanee, and the Civil Examinations for the Lower Standard. *True Statement. He is entitled to the Indian Medal.*"

This Medal he never received, but his nephew, Rev. James Smith, recovered it, in 1905, along with an India Mutiny Medal with a clasp for Delhi, owing also to his brother Samuel Chalmers, who died in 1858. John Chalmers had been recommended to the H.E.I.C. Service by Colonel Sykes, M.P., for Aberdeen, who gave him the Indian Appointment as a prize to the best student at Marischal College, Aberdeen, that year.

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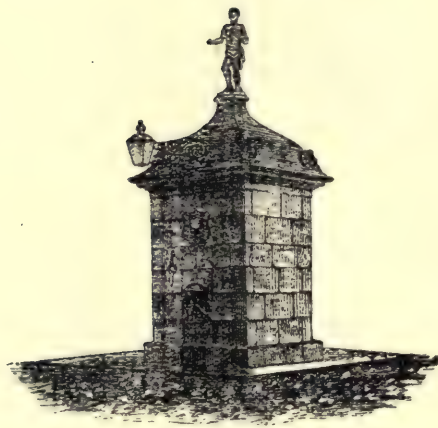
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